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THE HISTORY OF THE  
MANORS OF DENE MAGNA AND ABENHALL,  
AND THEIR LORDS ;  
ALSO FUGITIVE NOTES ON THE  
MANORS OF PARVA DENE, RUARDYN, & WESTBURY.

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THE task of tracing the devolution of the Manor of Dene Magna, as it was anciently called, has not been an easy one. From a very early period, at least from the beginning of the twelfth century, it has been divided into moieties, and, as time advanced, these moieties have occasionally been again sub-divided, to say nothing of widows' dowers. The difficulties are enhanced from undivided moieties of Manors being frequently described in ancient records as if they were entireties. Moreover, as the Manor of Dene Magna, and the neighbouring Manors of Abenhall, Dean Parva, and Ruardean have been held, also often in purparties, by the same persons, it became a question in writing on this subject, whether allusions to those latter manors should be omitted, and treated of separately hereafter. As this course would, however, lead very much over the same ground a second and a third time, we have thought it desirable to note, as we have gone on, any references to them which have fallen in our way. The Manor of Abenhall has, however, been somewhat more exhaustively treated because it was held by a family, who from it derived their name for a very long period, in conjunction with one moiety of the Manor of Dene Magna.

It is right that we should here say that we were led to take up this subject in consequence of several volumes of MSS. relating thereto, and to several others Manors in the Forest District, having been placed in our hands by the obliging courtesy of Mr. Maynard

W. Wemyss-Colchester, the present Lord of Magna Dene, and other of the manors referred to, for which we owe him our cordial thanks. These volumes contain notes made from the Public Records, Abstracts of ancient Deeds, and Extracts from Court Rolls, &c., &c., now unfortunately lost by fire, made by Mr. Colchester's ancestors. Though these notes are not sufficiently complete to admit of a compilation from them of a history of any one of the manors to which they relate, they have formed the incentive to special researches at the Public Record Office, and other depositories, which have occupied considerable time, the result of which will appear in the following notes.<sup>1</sup> The history is by no means so complete as could be desired, but it will form a nucleus to which other students can add, from time to time, further information, or correct any errors which may be discovered. We may add that the books contain a vast deal of detailed information, chiefly of modern dates, not used in this memoir.

At the time of the Domesday Survey it would seem that the three Manors of Dene: viz., Dene-Magna, Dene-Parva, and Ruardene, were united into one estate, which was held by William, son of Norman, tax free, for keeping the Forest of Dene. In the reign of King Edward the Confessor, these three manors, probably in severalty, were held by three English thanes, named Godric, Elric, and Ernui. The record runs: "the same William holds in Dene two hides and two virgates of land and a half. This was held by three thanes: Godric, Elric, and Ernui, T. R. E. In demesne are three carucates. There are thirty bordars having seven carucates and a half, and render eight shillings. The value was thirty-three shillings, it is now forty-four shillings. These lands were granted by King Edward, quit from geld, for keeping the forest."

William Fitz Norman held also in Gloucestershire, Bicanofre (English Bicknor), Morecote, in the Hundred of Langbridge, Tation Ulgar, in the Hundred of Botelowe, and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hides of land in Blideslawe Hundred. He left a son named Hugh, who would seem to have inherited his father's estates, at least the Manor of Dene,

<sup>1</sup> The information derived from the MS. volumes will be cited as "Colchester Muniments."

for in 1131, he was *Censor* of the Forest.<sup>1</sup> Mr. Ellis is of opinion that he was the ancestor of the Barons of Kilpeck.<sup>2</sup> Of this early period, however, before the commencement of our valuable series of Public Records, students are groping very much in the dark, at best but in a dim twilight, as regards local and family history, and our steps are, therefore, somewhat uncertain, and not unfrequently have to be retraced, as further evidence discloses itself. We are rather disposed to think that Hugh Fitz William Fitz Norman died without issue. We have seen above that he was alive in 1131, when he must have continued to hold the Manor of Dene. We do not find him again mentioned, and we think he must have died about this time, for some portions of his lands formed an escheat immediately after this date, as before 1133, the manor of Bicknor, which his father held in 1086, was in the king's hands, and was granted to Milo de Gloucester, and it is worthy of remark that in the charter it is stated it had been previously held by Ulric de Dene.<sup>3</sup>

The frightful disorders which prevailed in England after the death of King Henry I., in consequence of the disputed succession to the throne, would seem to have disturbed the tenancy of lands, and King Henry II., on his accession, found the whole of the district between the Severn and the Wye in the hands of the crown. In his first year (1154) he confirmed to Roger, Milo's eldest son, the earldom of Hereford, which the King's mother Maud had conferred upon Milo, and granted to him, with certain exceptions, the whole of the lands between the Severn and the Wye, which his grandfather, King Henry I. had held.<sup>4</sup> That the Manor of Dene Magna was included in this grant is shewn by another charter which we have found accidentally, where we least expected it, by which Roger Earl of Hereford, above mentioned, who must have died in 1155, granted his *Ministry* of the Forest of Dene, with all that thereto pertained, to William de Dene, to hold as freely and quietly as Earl Milo, the earl's father, had held it, paying a rent of 20s. per annum for all services. The text of this charter will be given in Appendix I. to this Paper.

<sup>1</sup> Rot. Pip., 31 Hen, I.

<sup>2</sup> Ante, Vol. IV., p. 135.

<sup>3</sup> See Charter, ante, Vol. III.

<sup>4</sup> Ante, Vol. IV., p. 319.

Roger, Earl of Hereford, in founding the Abbey of Dene, or Flaxley, granted for the endowment of the same, *inter alia*, certain "lands called Westadene, which did belong to Walfric," and certain lands of Geoffry, son of the said Walfric. The date of this charter is uncertain, but it was confirmed by Prince Henry, as Duke of Normandy, hence prior to his accession to the crown of England, and probably subsequently to the compact made in 1153, between Stephen and himself, and in anticipation of his succession. In this charter of confirmation, the titular rank of Roger, as Earl of Hereford, which had been granted by the Empress Maud to Milo, Roger's father, is acknowledged, and was confirmed to him in the first year of Henry's reign.

William de Dene, the grantee above mentioned, was doubtless the descendent of Ulric, but whether he and Geoffrey were brothers, and sons of Ulric, or whether William was the son of Geoffrey, we have no evidence, but the latter would seem most probable. In 1167 William de Dene, probably son of the last, paid one mark to the king, to have a plea or a license of convention,<sup>1</sup> and in 1176 he paid a fine of 20 marks for a breach of the Forest laws.<sup>2</sup> This William was probably the father of another Geoffrey de Dene, whose name occurs in the Pipe Roll of 1194,<sup>3</sup> and whose wife, Petronilla, in 1208, paid 100 marks to have his lands.<sup>4</sup>

In the reign of Henry III., the Manor of Dene Magna was held by another William de Dene, who thereof died seized in 1258. In the Inquisition taken at Magna Dene, on Saturday next after the feast of St. Matthew, 43rd Henry III., the jurors found that the said William had at Magna Dene two carucates of land, and 40 shillings and 6 marks annual rent, and that the rent to the king was 10 shillings annually for the same tenements; and they say the said William had his bailiwick in the Forest of Dene, held upon the custom of finding one horseman and two footmen for the keeping of the said bailiwick, and that he should go upon the charge of the king, wheresoever the king should go with his army, and they say that Henry de Dene, son of the said William, is his

<sup>1</sup> Rot. Pip., 13 Henry II.

<sup>2</sup> Ibid, 22 Henry II.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid, 6 Richard I,

<sup>4</sup> Ibid, 10 John.

nearest heir, and of full age. It is remarkable that in this instance the enquiry extended as to who had the chattels of the said William, and upon this point the jurors say that the wheat of the said William is stored for the winter in the cemetery of Dene, in the custody of his executors : viz., Mr. Hugh de Hope, Isabel, wife of the said William, and Robert de Ledene,<sup>1</sup> and that the oats is in the custody of the constable of St. Briavels, and that the goods moveable and immoveable are in the hands of the executors.<sup>2</sup>

We now begin to tread on firm ground. On the 28th Sep., 1259, Henry de Dene did homage for his lands, and had livery of seizin.<sup>3</sup> About this time Henry de Dene married Agatha, daughter and sole heir of William de Lasseberge (Lassebery), and inherited his estates. He died in 1260, and in his Inquisition post mortem it was found that he died seized of 12 acres of land in St. Briavels, called his bailiwick, in the Forest of Dene, which is of the value of 3 shillings per annum, by the service of finding one sergeant in the said forest by the whole year, who was bound to attach vert and venison ; and that the said William held no other lands of the king in capite. The jurors say further, *inter alia*, that he held one knight's fee in Lassebregge of the Lord William de Kames, by the service of one knight, and that the value per annum is 30 marks, and that the said William had only one daughter, who is his nearest heir, and is aged 20 years, whom Henry de Dene married in the life time of her father.<sup>4</sup> For the lands held in serjeanty in the Forest of Dene, Henry de Dene did homage in the same year, and Robert de Walerand, Keeper of the Forest, was commanded to deliver seizin.<sup>5</sup> It appears from the Pleas of the Forest, in the Receipt of the Exchequer, that Sir Henry de Deane, Serjeant of Fee, demanded house-bote and a trunk of a tree at Christmas, by view of the Constable, Forester, and Verderer ; and hay-bote and green and dead-wood, without view ; and common for his cattle through all the Forest, except the land in hand forbidden, and pannage free. William de Staure, William Booter, Thomas Warren, Robert de Awre, Adam le Walleys, and Michael Godney,

<sup>1</sup> He was, probably, the brother of William, the testator.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 43 Henry III., No. 18.      <sup>3</sup> Rot. Fin., 43 Henry III., m. 3.

<sup>4</sup> Inq. p.m., 45 Henry III., No. 20.      <sup>5</sup> Rot. Fin., 45 Henry III., m. 5.

demanded the same things ; and when the Forest is fit to depasture, the Serjeants of Fee in common demand 3 shillings at the feast of St. Martin, when the king takes his money for pannage.<sup>1</sup> This Henry attained to equestrian rank, and as Sir Henry de Dene, presented to the church of Dene Magna, in 1280. He died in 1292, and upon the Inquisition taken thereupon, on Monday next after the feast of St. Gregory the Pope, 20th Edw. I., it was found that he held at Magna Dene one carucate of land and homage to the king, in capite, by the service of 11 shillings per annum, paid at the castle of St. Briavels, and that the value per annum is £9, that he held in Little Dene two virgates of land, which is called "Ryffletum," in fee farm, at a rent of 6 pence, and that the value per annum is one mark ; that he held Ardern, a certain assart, at the rent of 2 shillings, and that the value per annum is half a mark ; and that he held also at St. Briavels, homage by service of one footman with bow and arrows for the keeping of the Forest of Dene, and that the value per annum of the homage is 12s. 2d., and this homage, the jurors say, is of the inheritance of Agatha his wife. And they say that William Dene is the son and nearest heir of the said Henry, and is aged 28 years.<sup>2</sup>

William de Dene, son and heir of Henry, possibly on account of the king's absence, did not do homage for his lands at Magna Dene until 1304, when, upon payment of a relief of 10 shillings, he had livery of seizin.<sup>3</sup> In the mean while Agatha, who survived her husband, obtained the king's licence to alienate to Richard de Dene, her son, 12 acres of land and 12 shillings rent in the Manor of St. Briavels, to be held in capite by the services due and accustomed : viz., by the service of keeping one footman in the Forest of Dene for keeping vert and venison and the peace, for all services, except wardship and marriage, when it happens.<sup>4</sup> This William de Dene died in 1310.<sup>5</sup> His writ *diem clausit extremum* was issued

<sup>1</sup> Colechester Muniments, Book A, fol. 8.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 20, Edw. I., No. 136.

<sup>3</sup> Rot. Fin., 32 Edw. I. Sir Henry de Dene had three sons : William, his son and heir, Richard named in the text, and John, all of whom are named as legatees in the will of Humphrey de Bohun, Earl of Hereford.

<sup>4</sup> Inq. ad quod damnum, 24 Edw. I., No. 89.

<sup>5</sup> Rot. Fin., 4 Edw. II., m. 19.

on the 7th September in that year,<sup>1</sup> but the inquisition taken thereupon is not extant. His son and heir William de Dene was of full age, and on 14th October made fealty to the king for all the lands which William his father held of the king *in capite*, and had livery of seizin. He died in 1319, when considerable contention arose as to his services and the tenure by which he held his lands. Several inquisitions were taken after his death. The first on 12th May, 1319, of the lands and tenements of which he died seized, which are stated in much detail, and Johanna and Isabella his daughters were found to be his nearest heirs, Johanna being aged five years and Isabella one month.<sup>2</sup> On Wednesday next after the Nativity of St. John Baptist, another inquisition was taken to enquire if the said William de Dene held certain tenements in Magna Dene and in Parva Dene by the service of 10s. per annum for the tenement in Magna Dene and 6d. per annum for the tenement in Parva Dene. The jurors, one of whom was Reginald de Abenhall, found that the said William held of the king, on the day on which he died, the aforesaid tenements by homage and service of 10s. and 6d. as aforesaid, and by the service of remaining with the king in his wars for three days at his expense in the Counties of Gloucester, Hereford, and Worcester, and they say that the lands were held to the said William and his heirs for ever; and that after the death of the said William the king had the custody of the said lands and the marriage of the heirs, but they say they are ignorant if he held the said tenements by the service of keeping the bailiwick of the woods in Magna Dene and Parva Dene.<sup>3</sup> It was with these inquisitions we found the transcript of the charter of Roger Earl of Hereford above cited, put in as evidence for the king that the wardship of the lands of William de Dene and the marriage of his heirs belonged to the king. The charter itself was in the keeping of Rennaud de Habenhall, who, we have seen, was one of the jurors, and agrees with the Inquisition returned into chancery. It is stated that this Rennaud is tenant of the moiety of the Manor of Dene, and charges that moiety with the rent contained in the charter, and that he does not and will not deny that his part ought to be in the king's keeping when the wardship escheats, as at all times when

<sup>1</sup> Rot. Fin. 4th Edw. II., m. 18.    <sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 12th Edw. II., No. 31.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid.



his ancestors have been within age. And it is further said that all the villes within the precinct of the forest, with Bykenore, Ruardyn, Staunton, and Blakemere, which are of the same tenure as Dene, have been always in the king's keeping when escheated. Notwithstanding all this, and in the face of the charter, upon a further Inquisition taken at Gloucester before Thomas Brown, Constable of the Castle of St. Briavels,<sup>1</sup> and a jury, it was found that the lands were held by the rents above-mentioned for all services; and the jurors say that the said William did not hold the tenements aforesaid by the service of keeping the bailiwick of the king's woods in Magna Dene and Parva Dene, nor by accompanying the king in his wars.<sup>2</sup> A further Inquisition concerning the lands, of which William de Dene died seized, was taken at Gloucester on Monday next after the feast of St. Denis, 1327, and the return of the jury as regards services, was in accordance with the last cited inquisition. The ages of the heirs are now stated to be 15 years and 11 years respectively.<sup>3</sup>

Some little obscurity now arises with respect to the devolution of this manor. We do not find any other inquisition, than that last above cited, relating to it during the long reign of Edw. III., but we find that Johanna daughter and heir of William de Deane, married Ralph ap Eynon (Baynham), and, as his relict, granted, in 40th Edw. III. (1366) to John le Baker, of Magna Deane, a lease for 90 years, of one parcel of land in Ashwall field there.<sup>4</sup> Isabella became the wife of Ralph de Abenhall, to whom she carried a moiety of the estates.

We must now pass over a considerable period. In 1390 King Richard II. granted to his uncle Thomas Duke of Gloucester, the Castle of St. Briavels with all its appurtenances in special tail male, and in 1395 the Duke presented to the Church of Dene Magna, by reason of the minority of John ap Eynon son and heir of Thomas ap Eynon, who was then in his wardship, and John ap Eynon himself presented in 1401. The Duke of Gloucester, however, in 1397, was smothered by the king's command, and the castle


<sup>1</sup> The name of this Constable does not occur in Mr. Allen's List, ante Vol. III, p. 361.   <sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 12th Edw. II. No. 31.   <sup>3</sup> Inq. p.m., 1st Edw. III. No. 44 (1st Nos.)   <sup>4</sup> Colchester Muniments, Book A, p. 4.




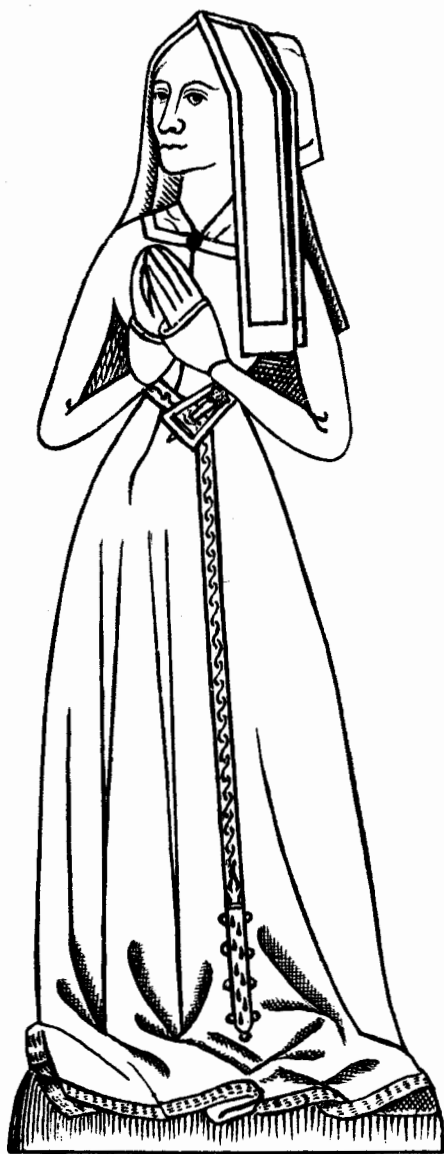
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**R. The Monumental Brass Effigy, at Nishelbean, of Margaret.**

(said to have been daughter of Richard Kedy, Justice.)

First Wife of Thomas Baynham 

She died probably before 1477. 



(Scale  $\frac{1}{2}$ , Drawn from a Rubbing. W. 1860)

The Monumental Brass Effigy at Michelbean of Alice, *W*  
daughter and heir of William Walswyn, of Bykerton, in Co. Hereford.

Second Wife of Thomas Bayham, *W*

She died 10. Oct. 1518. *W*

reverted to the crown. Similar grants were, however, afterwards made to other subjects, and if any holder of the Manor of Dene Magna had died during these periods, the escheats would have fallen to the mesne lord, and the inquisition taken upon the death of a tenant *in capite* holding of the castle would have been returned to him, and would, consequently, not be found among the Public Records. As, however, the advowson of the church pertained to the manor the presentation above recited shews by whom the manor was held at the date stated. At all events we cannot discover any inquisition relating to this manor until the death of Robert Baynham, who died on 12th of Sept., 1436, which Robert was the 4th in descent from Ralph ap Eynon and the son of John ap Eynon above-mentioned. The jurors, on the inquisition taken after his death, say that he held in his demesne, as of fee on the day on which he died, two parts of the Manor of Dene Magna with appurtenances, the extent of which is given, and that he also held in his demesne, as of fee, 26s. 8d. annual rent issuing out of Dene Parva of divers free tenants there, the whole being held of the king *in capite* as of his Castle of St. Briavels by the service of the 4th part of one knight's fee and the annual rent of 11s., and they say that Thomas Baynham, son of the said Robert, is his nearest heir, and is aged 14 years, five months and three days.<sup>1</sup>

Thomas the son and heir of Robert Baynham inherited from his father, with other lands, the first moiety of the Manor of Dene Magna, or the purparty of Johanna the senior co-heir of William de Dene. He married, as his first wife, Margaret daughter of Richard Hody, one of the king's justices,<sup>2</sup> and by her had a son and heir named Alexander. He married, secondly, Alice daughter and heir of William Walwyn, with whom he acquired also, in her right, the other moiety, or purparty, of Isabella the second co-heir.<sup>3</sup> By her he had a son Christopher heir of his mother, and other children.

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 15th Henry VI. No. 15.

<sup>2</sup> It is so stated in an old pedigree recorded in the Heralds' College in 1582, nevertheless it would seem to be doubtful. There was never a Richard Hody, a Justice, in either of the King's Courts.

<sup>3</sup> The Monumental Brasses of these two ladies still continue in the Church of Micheldean. They were, however, removed from their places in the north aisle during the late "restoration" of the Church, and are now in the vestry.—See *Illustrations, Plates VII. and VIII.*

We will first pursue the moiety of the senior co-heir and will then return to the junior.

Thomas Baynham presented to the Church of Dene Magna in 1469, and twice in 1485.<sup>1</sup>

We cannot find any Inquisition taken after his death for the County of Gloucester. There is one, however, for the County of Hereford, but as this relates entirely to his wife Alice Walwyn's lands, we will pass over it here, simply saying that the jurors found that the said Thomas died on 16th February, 1499-1500, and that Alexander Baynham, knt., was his son and heir, and was aged 40 years.<sup>2</sup>

Alexander Baynham received the honour of knighthood from the Duke of Gloucester on 24th July, 1482,<sup>3</sup> in his expedition against Scotland, King James having threatened an invasion of England on behalf of Louis, King of France, against whom Edward was preparing an army to avenge the indignity he had received by the perfidy of the French king in his breach of the contract of marriage between the dauphin and the Princess Elizabeth. Sir Alexander was Sheriff of Gloucester in 1497, during his father's life, and again in 1501, 1502, and 1515. He would also seem to have been possessed of the Manor of Westbury before his father's death for by his charter dated 4th February, 4th Henry VII., he granted the said manor with the site of the same and appurtenances to Thomas Beynam, Esq., William Beynam, gent., Christopher Beynam, Gent., and others in trust to his own use and that his heirs for ever; and by his charter dated 17th May, 5th Hen. VIII., (1513) he granted to William Tracy, Esq., and others, the Manor of Magna Dene and lands and tenements in Little Dene and Ruardyn to the same uses; and in the inquisition taken at Northleach on 22nd November, 16th Henry VIII., (1524), after his death the jurors says he died seized in his demesne as of fee of certain lands in Estbage, in the parish of Byknor English, also of

<sup>1</sup> In 1483 he is shewn to be joint Constable of St. Briavels Castle with Richard Williams, and in 1498-9 he held that office jointly with his son Christopher (*vide* Mr. Allen's list of Constables, ante vol. III., p. 362.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., Richard III. and Henry VII. No. 178.

<sup>3</sup> Cott. MS., Claudius C. III., fo. 72.

one burgage in the town of Newnham, and of 400 acres of land and 100 acres of pasture in Stanton and that so being seized died seized, and they say that the lands in Byknore were held of the Lord Ferrers as of his Manor of Byknore, and they say that the said Alexander died 25th September, 1524, and that John Beynam his son is his next heir, and is aged 36 years and more.<sup>1</sup> We have, at present no certain evidence who was the wife of Sir Alexander, but suppose she must have been the lady described in the Inquisition taken at Gloucester on 10th January, 1527-8 after her death, as Lady Elizabeth Beynham who was relict of Edmund Langley, she died seized of the Manor of Over Sudyngton which she held in dower of the gift of the said Edmund Langley, but she did not hold any dower of the lands of inheritance of Sir Alexander Baynham. It was, possibly, thought that she was already sufficiently dowered.<sup>2</sup>

John Baynham, son and heir of Sir Alexander, did not long survive his father. He died 6th of Aug., 1528. On the Inquisition taken after his death, it was found that by his deed, dated 5th of Feb., 17th Henry VIII. (1525-6), he had granted to John Arnold an annuity of 40s. for the term of his life for performing the office of Steward of the Manor of Westbury, and that he had settled the same Manor upon trustees to his own use and that of Ann his wife and the heirs of their bodies, and that William Baynham is son and nearest heir of the said John and is aged 17 years. He is not stated to have died seized, either in possession or reversion, of the manors of Magna Dene, Parva Dene, or Ruardene.<sup>3</sup>

William Baynham, son and heir of John, succeeded and died 10th August, 1568. On the Inquisition taken at Cirencester, on the 25th of October, after his death, the jurors say that in his life he was seized in fee of the Manor of Micheldene with appurtenances, and of lands and tenements in Little Dene and at Estbach, in English Bicknor, and being so seized in fee by his charter, dated 20th June, 34th Hen. VIII., he granted the Manor of Dene Magna to Edward Blenerhasset and others in trust to the use of the said William and Ann his wife for the term of their lives, remainder

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 16th Henry VIII. No. 112.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 19th Henry VIII. No. 30.

<sup>3</sup> Inq. p.m., 20th Henry VIII. No. 102.

to the heirs of their bodies, remainder to the heirs of the said William for ever. The jurors say the said William was seized also of divers lands in Micheldene, Little Dene, and Ruardyn, and that he died on 10th August last past, and that Ann his wife survived and is still living at Westbury, and holds the aforesaid manor, and that Robert Baynham, gent., is the son and nearest heir of the said William and is aged 26 years and more.<sup>1</sup>

Robert Baynham did not long survive his father. His inquisition *post mortem* was taken at the Castle of Gloucester, on 7th January, 1572-3. The jurors recite the settlement of 20th June, 34th Henry VIII., made by his father, of the Manor of Dene Magna and certain lands and tenements in Little Dene and Estbache, in Bicknor to the use of the said William Baynham and Ann his wife, daughter of Robert Blenerhasset, of Primethropp, in co. Warwick, by way of jointure of the said Ann. And they say that Robert Baynham was in his life seized of the Manor of Westburie, and the site of the said manor in his demesne as of fee, and of certain lands in the parish of Westburie, and of the Manor of Ruardean, with all its rights, members, and appurtenances, and of one burgage in Newnham, and of certain lands in Lydney, and being so seized, died seized. And they say that the Manors of Micheldeane, Littledeane and Ruardean, are held of the Queen, *in capite*, as of the Castle of St. Briavels by military service, that Estbache is held of Walter Earl of Essex and Viscount Hereford, as of his Manor of Bicknor, but by what service they are ignorant, and that the value of the lands is 40s. per annum. And they say that the Manor of Westburie is held of Lord Stafford as of the Honour of Hereford, by the service of the third part of one knight's fee. And they say the said Robert Baynham died 20th October last past, and that the aforesaid Ann is still living at Kynnton St. Michael, in co. Wilts, and holds the Manor of Micheldean and lands at Estbache, with their appurtenances, and that Joseph Baynham, gent., is brother and nearest heir of the said Robert, and is aged 24 years and more.<sup>2</sup>

Joseph Baynham, by an Indenture tripartite, dated 1st May, 9th James, in consideration of a marriage to be solemnized before

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 10th Elizabeth. No. 129.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 15th Elizabeth. No. 62.

the feast of St. Michael then next following, between his son and heir Alexander Baynham and Elizabeth daughter of Arnold Oldisworth, Esq., and the payment by the said Arnold of the sum of £1000, granted to certain Trustees the Manors of Westbury and Cellars, the Manor of Mycheldeane, the Castle and Manor of Ruardyn, the Capital messuage of Eastbach, &c., &c., to certain uses therein described, saving jointures to Joan Baynham then wife of the said Joseph, and Elizabeth Oldisworth.<sup>1</sup> The said Joseph died on 19th July, 1613, seized for the term of his life, and the afore-said Alexander was found to be the son and nearest heir of the said Joseph, and to have been of full age on his father's death.<sup>2</sup>

By Indenture dated 1st April, 12th James, Alexander Baynham did covenant with Arnold Oldisworth before St. Peter's day next following, to levy a fine of the Manor Mychell Dene, &c., and after the same fine levied to suffer a Recovery. Accordingly, in Easter term, a fine was levied between Arnold Oldisworth, keeper of the Hanaper, querist, and Alexander Baynham, Esq., deforc. of the Manors of Westbury, Cellars and Dene Magna, and of 40 messuages: 6 tofts, 6 cottages, 2 water mills, 1 dovecote, 50 gardens, 40 orchards, 100 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 60 acres of wood, 150 acres of furze and heath, 60s. rent, and common of pasture for all animals in Westbury, Deane Magna, Arlingham, Overley, Netherley, Northwood, Bosley, and Newnham, also of free fishery in the waters of Severn and of the office of bailiff of Deane Magna, and also of two parts of the Advowson of the Church of Deane Magna. And in the same term Alexander Baynham suffered a Recovery in the same Manors, lands, &c., as covenanted.<sup>3</sup>

There is abundant evidence, in the books referred to, that the estates had become very much encumbered, and on 1st April, 17th James, Alexander Baynham, and Elizabeth his wife obtained the King's licence to alienate the Manor of Michel Deane to Nicholas Roberts, Esq., and George Raymond, gent. Accordingly, by Indenture, dated 28th May, in the same year, and inrolled in Chancery, the said Alexander Baynham in consideration of the sum of £1,975

<sup>1</sup> Colchester Muniments, Book B, fol. 3.

<sup>2</sup> Inquis. p.m., 11th James, part II. No. 32.

<sup>3</sup> Colchester Muniments, Book B, fols. 6 & 7.



granted to Nicholas Roberts Esq., and his heirs, the Manor of Michell Deane "known by the name of two parts in three parts to be divided of the Manor of Michell Deane," and the Woodwardship or bailiwick of Michell Deane, within the Forest of Deane, and the advowson, or right of patronage, of the Church of Michell Deane for two turns of three to present thereto, and all messuages, lands, &c., fairs, markets, tolls, waifs, strays, &c.<sup>1</sup> And in Trinity term following a fine was levied to the said Nicholas Roberts and George Raymond of the same premises. On the 20th January, 21st James (1623-4), George Raymond released to Nicholas Roberts all his right and interest in the said Manor and premises.<sup>2</sup>

By Indentures, dated 29th June, 8th Charles, Nicholas Roberts conveyed, *inter alia*, two parts of the Manors of Michell Deane and Westbury to certain trustees for the security of the payment of an annuity of £300 a year for life to Frances his wife. On 12th April, 1634, Nicholas Roberts made his last will, whereby he devises two parts of all his Manors and lands to his executors for the term of 40 years, to pay, first, his wife, the sum of £500, for which he is bound to John Riches, Esq., her late father, and to pay her £300 per annum by way of dower; the other third part of the said Manors, &c., in Gloucestershire, he devises to Caesar Roberts his son and heir, and after the expiration of the said 40 years, in case the said Caesar should die without issue male of his body, the said Manors, &c., to remain to Benedict, second son of the said Nicholas, in tail male, in default, remainder to William Roberts, third son of the said Nicholas, in tail male, in default, remainder to the right heirs of

<sup>1</sup> Inrolled in Chancery, 21st June, Colchester Mun., Book C., fol. 104.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, fol. 105.

On 10th November, 15th James (1617), Alexander Baynham granted to John Awdrey, clerk, the next presentation and nomination to the patronage of the Parish Church of Michell Deane, and on 24th October, 19th James, the said John Awdrey released the same to Nicholas Roberts.

On 27th January the said Nicholas Roberts granted to George Raymond the next advowson, donation, and right of presentation to the said Rectory, when void, after Hugh Griffith, now incumbent, to hold, for one time only, to present thereto.

20th January, 21st James, George Raymond released to Nicholas Roberts all his right and interest in the manor and premises aforesaid.—Colchester Muniments, Book C, fo. 105.

the said Nicholas. In this will he mentions his brother Giles and sister Okey, and appoints his brothers Giles and William, and his nephew Mr. Richard Colchester, Overseers. Nicholas Roberts died at Westbury, on 19th January, 1636-7. And it is shewn, by the Inquisition taken thereupon, that he was seized, *inter alia*, of the following Manors in the County of Gloucester: viz., the Manor of Westbury, and Capital Messuage there, and the site of the said Manor held of the King by military service, as belonging to Henry Lord Stafford, then in the King's wardship, the Manor of Sellars and the site of the said manor held of the King in socage, as of the Manor of Greenwich, the Manor of Deane Magna, with the advowson of the church, and the office of bailiff, &c., certain premises in Deane, purchased of Alexander Baynham, Esq., held of the King as of the Castle of St. Briavels, by military service, and rent of 20s. per annum, a certain woody grove (*grova boschat*), called "Wilderness Grove," and 14 separate closes called Wilderness Grounds, in Avenhale, held of the King, as of the Castle of St. Briavels, by fealty, suit at court, and rent of 10s. per annum. Of certain other premises in Avenhale, held of Bainham Vaughan, Esq., as of the Manor of Avenhale, by fealty, suit of court, and divers separate rents. And the jurors say that Cæsar Roberts is son and heir of the said Nicholas, and was aged 20 yrs, 3 months and 16 days, and no more, having been christened at St. Clement Danes, 3rd Oct., 1616. And they say that Frances, late wife of the said Nicholas, is still living at Westbury.<sup>1</sup> The wardship of Cæsar Roberts was compounded for, for the sum of £500 and a yearly payment, during his minority, of £99 14s., for which payment, on 25th July, 13th Charles, his wardship and marriage were granted to Godfrey Bishop of Gloucester; and by another Indenture, dated 7th August in the same year, the third part of all the Manors and lands devised to the said Cæsar by his father's will to hold to the use of the said Ward, from 19th January last past. All the executors named in the Will of Nicholas Roberts having renounced, Administration, with Will annexed, was granted on 30th June, 1637, to Frances Roberts, widow, relict of the deceased, and Turbervill Morgan, stated to be cousin of the deceased, but upon the petition of Ann

<sup>1</sup> Colchester Muniments, Book C, fos. 243-244.

Okey this act was revoked because Mrs. Roberts was a convicted Recusant, and that Turbervill Morgan, was neither of kin to, nor a creditor of, the deceased, and on 17th July following, Administration, with Will annexed, was granted to John Okey a kinsman and creditor. Against this, an appeal was made by Mrs. Roberts, but, for the reason above stated, she was incapable of prosecuting it.

Cæsar Roberts attained his majority in 1637, and on 21st July, 1638, Mrs. Roberts married Henry Wayte. Benedict Roberts and William Roberts, younger sons of Nicholas Roberts, also died without issue before the death of their elder brother, whereby the estates devolved upon Giles Roberts uncle and heir-at-law of the aforesaid Cæsar, who entered into possession, and an Inquisition was taken at Painswick, on 9th October, 1641, by which it was found that Cæsar Roberts died seized, and that Giles Roberts was his uncle and next heir, and was of full age: viz., 50 years and more, and on 51th January following, he had special livery of seizin.

On 12th October, 17th Charles, Giles Roberts and William Roberts, his son and heir apparent, obtained the King's licence to alienate to Richard Colchester, Esq., one of the Six Clerks in Chancery, *inter alia*, the Manor of Deane Magna, with the Advowson of the church and office of Bailiff of Deane Magna, the Manor of Ley, ats Lea, in the counties of Gloucester and Hereford and the Manor of Baisham, in the last named county; and by Indentures, dated on the 14th of the same month, the said Giles Roberts described as of Washborne, in the county of Worcester, next heir to Cæsar Roberts: viz., brother to Nicholas, late father of Cæsar Roberts, and reciting that the lands of the said Cæsar had descended to him and that the same are subject to many charges and incumbrances and so entangled with debts and engagements that the said Giles is neither able nor fit to undergo the trouble and charge thereof, and that the lands may, nevertheless, remain in the blood and kindred of the said Giles, and that he might likewise have a competent recompense, &c., he, as well, in consideration of a competent sum of money paid to him, by Richard Colchester, and in consideration of the natural love and affection which he beareth to the said Richard his near kinsman, being his nephew, eldest son of Alice the eldest

sister of him the said Giles Roberts, and for the establishment of the lands, &c., upon the said Richard Colchester, covenants that the said Giles and his heirs shall stand seized of the Manor of Westbury and the Capital messuage or Manor house there, the Manor of Micheldean, &c., &c., to the use of the said Richard Colchester and his heirs and assigns for ever. Differences afterwards arose between parties<sup>1</sup> for the final agreement of which a fine was levied in Easter term, 13th Charles; Richard Colchester, Esq., one of the Six Clerks in Chancery, Matthew Purder, Esq., another of the Six Clerks in that Court, and Richard Hill, gent., one of the clerks of the said Richard Colchester, were querists, and Giles Roberts, gent., and William Roberts, gent., deforciant, whereby the said Giles and William acknowledged the right of the said Richard Colchester and others in all the said Manors, &c., and quitclaimed the same for them and their heirs for ever, and for this quitclaim, fine, and concord, the said Richard and others gave the said Giles and William £500.<sup>2</sup>

THE MANOR OF ABENHALE, OR AVENHALE, AND MOIETY OF THE  
MANOR OF DENE MAGNA.

We must now return to the second Moiety of Dene Magna, which Isabella, the youngest daughter and co-heir of William de Dene, carried in marriage to Ralph de Abenhale. It will be remembered that it was stated, with reference to the question of the wardship and marriage of the heirs of this Manor when the inheritance devolved upon minors, which was claimed by the King, that a Moiety of the Manor was held by Reginald de Abenhale, and that the said Reginald admitted that his part ought to be in the King's hands as had always been the case when his ancestors had been within age. It would seem, therefore, that possessing already a Moiety of the Manor the acquisition of a Moiety of the other Moiety would make his share  $\frac{2}{3}$ ths of the whole Manor; nevertheless, we find that the possession of Robert Baynham in the Manor is described as two parts, and that he and his descendants held two presentations in three, to the Advowson of the Church, which pertained to the Manor. This anomaly we have as yet been unable to understand.

<sup>1</sup> Colechester Muniments, Book C. pp. 233-333.    <sup>2</sup> Ibid. 276.

As one of the Moieties was from a very early date held by the Abenhale family concurrently with the Manor of Abenhale, it would seem desirable to include that Manor within the scope of our enquiry.

Abenhale, or as it was frequently written Avenhale, and Abenhall, was not an original Manor. It was not named in Domesday. The earliest mention of it which we have found is in "Testa de Nevill," in which it is stated to contain two carucates, for the carvage of which John de Monmouth ought to answer.<sup>1</sup> The date of this record must have been during the time that John de Monmouth was Constable of St. Briavels: viz., 1216-1224. It was constituted a Manor, however, before the end of the century, for in 1301, Ralph de Avenhale died seized of the Manor of Abenhale, which he held of the King, *in capite*, by the Serjeanty of keeping a certain wood in the Forest of Dene, called the Bailiwick of Abenhale, by two footmen, with bows and arrows, and rent of 20s. per annum, to be paid at Newnham to the Constable of the Castle of St. Briavels,<sup>2</sup> and the jurors upon the inquest say that John de Avenhale is son and nearest heir of the said Ralph, and is aged 32 years and more.<sup>3</sup> John de Abenhale paid his relief and had livery of seizen in 1306. He held the Manor in 1315,<sup>4</sup> and died in the year following. His Inquisition *post mortem* was taken on Thursday after the feast of St. Gregory, 10th Edw. II., when we obtain the following interesting extent of the Manor. The jurors say he held, on the day on which he died, the Bailiwick or Forestership in the Forest of Dene for keeping the same with bows and arrows and that it is worth nothing beyond, and also the Manors of Abbanhale and Dene Magna, also a messuage and garden worth per annum 2s., 140 acres of arable land, worth per annum 2d. each acre, a dovecote, worth 2s. per annum, six acres of wood, worth, per annum 6d. per acre, and a water-mill, worth 13s. 4d. per annum. There are ten free-tenants who pay 40s. per annum, six natives who owe works from Yule to Michaelmas, the value

<sup>1</sup> Testa de Nevill, p. 79b.

<sup>2</sup> It would appear from Mr. Allen's List that Ralph de Abenhall was himself Constable of St. Briavel's Castle in this year (*Vide ante* Vol. IV., p. 361.

<sup>3</sup> Inq. p.m., 29th Edw. I. 39.    <sup>4</sup> Nom. Villar.

of whose work is 2s. on account of six cottages and one virgate of land which are held in villenage. They say the said John is patron of the Church of Abbenhale, and the advowson is worth 40s. And they say that the said John held the said lands, &c., with the bailiwick and Advowson, of the King *in capite*, paying, per annum, at Newnham, 30s., and that Ralph de Abbenhale, brother of the said John, is his nearest heir and is aged 40 years.<sup>1</sup>

We do not know the date of the death of Ralph, but he did not long survive his brother, for Reginald, his son and heir, paid his relief and had livery of seizin in 1318,<sup>2</sup> but previously to this, in 1317, he presented to the Church of Abenhale. This Reginald is the person we have before mentioned. Between 1328 and 1332 he granted leases of several tenements in Dene Magna. He died cir. 1341, seized of the Manor of Abbehale with appurtenances, which he held of the King *in capite*, and the bailiwick of the Forest of Dene by the services above mentioned. It should be remarked, however, that the Manor would seem to have considerably increased in extent and in value. The capital messuage is valued at 13s. 4d. per annum, the dove-house at 3s. 4d., four score acres of arable land worth 13s. 4d. (worth 2d. per acre when sown; and when not sown lie in common for the whole year), two water-mills, worth per annum, 20s., four acres of underwood, which may be cut every seventh year, and then worth 2s., twenty-four free tenants who pay annually 100s., twelve customary tenants, who render customs and services and pay 22s. 5½d., and pleas and perquisites of the courts, 6s. 8d. This is a notable increase in 25 years, but whether it arises from the improved condition of the Manor or a more careful valuation of the issues we are unable to say. It may be also mentioned that the said Reginald held, in Stantweye, of the Earl of Lancaster, a certain capital messuage and lands by service of 7s. and suit at the court of the Earl at Redleye, and Ralph de Abbehall, son of the said Reginald, was found to be his heir and aged, at the previous Lady-day, 24 years.<sup>3</sup> In 1338 he had a grant of a market and fair at Dene Magna.<sup>4</sup> This Ralph appears

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m. 10th Edw. II. No. 4.      <sup>2</sup> Rot Fin. 12th. Edw. II.

<sup>3</sup> Inq. p.m., 15th Edw. III (1st Nos.) No. 31,

<sup>4</sup> Rot Cart., 2nd Edw. III. No. 57.

to have greatly neglected his estates, and on his death, on Thursday, in the Vigil of St. Lawrence, 1347, some of the buildings thereon were found to be in a state of great delapidation, even the two mills, which are usually the most valuable property on a Manor, were found to be in ruins and fallen down and worth nothing. The extent of the Manor, as it passed out of the name of Abenhale, will be of interest. On the Inquisition taken at Abenhale on Monday next before the Feast of the Blessed Mary, 1347, it was found that Ralph de Abenhale held *in capite* the Manor of Abenhale, with the Advowson of the Church there, by the service of 30s. of annual rent payable at Newnham to the Constable of the Castle of St. Briavels, and by the service of keeping the bailiwick of the wood of the King in the Forest of Dean, which is called *Balliva de Abenhale*, by Grand Serjeanty. And the jurors say there is a Capital Messuage with garden, worth per annum beyond reprises, 2s., and one dovecot (*debile et ruinosum*) worth nil; 60 acres of arable worth 5s., price per acre 1d.; 60 acres of new assart, worth nothing beyond the rent to the Exchequer, to wit, 13s. 1¼d.; two water-mills (*ruinosa et prostrata*), worth nothing; two acres of meadow, worth 2s. per annum; twenty-four free tenants, rendering, per annum, £4 3s. 6d.; eight native tenants rendering, per annum, 10s.; each of these works, in the autumn, two days, each day's work worth 1d.; pleas and perquisites of the courts worth 10s.; there are there four acres of corn (*grani*) worth nothing. And they say that Margaret, daughter of Ralph, is his nearest heir and was aged 5 years at the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary last past, and that Isabella wife of the said Ralph is pregnant.<sup>1</sup>

We have no knowledge of the issue of which Isabel was pregnant, but she does not appear to have had any child to take, or divide, the inheritance. The King presented to the Church of Abenhale, in 1349, by reason of the wardship of the lands and heir of Ralph de Abenhale, knt., deceased. Margaret was twice married: first to Lawrence Greyndour, who in her right presented to the church in 1366. By him she had a son named John. After the death of Lawrence Greyndour she married Robert de Hunteley,

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 21st Edw. III. No. 16.

who in her right presented to the Church of Abenhale in 1372, by whom she would seem to have had issue, for upon her death, on Sunday next after the feast of St. Michael, 1375, he held the lands she possessed in dower, including the Manor and Advowson of Abenhale, by the law of England. She died seized of one messuage and one carucate of land in Abenhale, and 100s. rent there, and 60s. rent in Parva Dean, and John Greyndour, son of Lawrence Greyndour and the said Margaret, was found to be her nearest heir and to be aged 19 years.<sup>1</sup> The bailiwick of Abenhall would seem to have been temporarily detached, for of that bailiwick John de Yate, of Arlingham, died seized in 1367.<sup>2</sup>

John Greyndour presented to the Church of Abenhall in 1391, and in 1407, and he was Sheriff of Gloucestershire in 1405. In 1410 he is mentioned in circumstances not very creditable. King Henry IV., in the 8th year of his reign, had by his letters patent granted to the merchants of Genoa liberty to bring into England any of their wares, and to sell them, and to purchase and take away wool and cloths. Thomas Lord Berkeley and his servants set upon a carrack belonging to these merchants, on her voyage from Bordeaux to London, laden with wines and other merchandise, seized and carried her to Milford Haven, and took away her cargo. Complaint was made to the King, who required Lord Berkeley to make restitution to the merchants, or answer for his conduct before the council, the sequel of which was that his servants, Sir John Greyndour and others at Bristol made restitution for part, but went away with a great part of the rest, of the Genoese goods.<sup>3</sup> It was on this occasion, when we find him acting in such an un-knightly manner, that we find him first described as a knight. He seems, however, soon to have made his peace with the King, for in the following year, 1411, as Sir John Greyndour he served the office of Sheriff of Gloucestershire the second time. He died in 1416. His writ *diem clausit extremum*<sup>4</sup> is dated 30th October in that

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m. 49th Edw. III., Part I., No. 64.

<sup>2</sup> Inq., p.m. 41st Edw. III., No. 2.

<sup>3</sup> Rot. Claus. 11th Hen. IV., m. 34, et in dorsa, m. 21. (Smyth MSS.

Berkeley Castle.

<sup>4</sup> Rot. Fin., 4th Hen. V.



year, but the Inquisition taken thereupon is not extant, and we have been unable to find his Will.

Sir John Greyndour was twice married. According to an old pedigree<sup>1</sup> he married Marion, daughter and heir of — Hathewy, but the parentage of this lady would seem doubtful. By his first wife Marion, however, he had a son and heir named Robert, who, upon his father's death, succeeded to his estates, which Robert in 1421 presented to the Church of Aston Ingeyn, co. Hereford. Sir John's second wife, Isabella, is named, together with himself, in certain charters dated in 1402, relating to the Bicknor Court Estate.<sup>2</sup> By her he had a daughter named Johanna, who was twice married, first to William Walwyn, by whom she had a son of the same name, and secondly to Sir William Lychfield, whose wife she was on the death of her niece, the Countess of Worcester, in 1452, when she was found to be the heir of the said Countess, and to be aged 30 years and more. She must have been several years older than the age stated.<sup>3</sup>

Robert, son and heir of Sir John Greyndour, married Johanna, daughter of Thomas Rigge, or Rugge, of Charlecombe, co. Somerset, by Katherine, only daughter and heir of Sir John de Bitton, of Bitton in this county, by his first wife Margery, daughter and heir of William de la More, of Oldland, in Bitton aforesaid.

We find in the Inquisition taken on 29th January, 1443-4, after his death, that he held, *inter alia*, a Moiety of the Manor of Mychyldene. The jurors say that on the day on which he died he was seized in his demesne as of fee of the Manor of Abenhall together with the Church of St. James to the same Manor pertaining, also of the Moiety of the Manor of Mychyldene, with appces together with the Church of St. Michael to the same Manor pertaining: to wit, the third turn of presentation, and that the said Manors, &c., were held of Randolph Boteler, Lord of Sudeley, knt., and John de Beauchamp, knt., as of the Castle of St. Briavels: viz., the Manor of Abenhall and the Moiety of the Manors of Mycheldene, each by the 4th part of one knight's fee, and of the

<sup>1</sup> Harl. MSS., 1543, fo. 177b.   <sup>2</sup> See Ante, Trans., Vol. I., p. 87.

<sup>3</sup> Inq., p.m. 31st Hen. VI. No. 23.

said Manor of Mychydene the jurors say Johanna Greyndour, late wife of the said Robert, has dower of the third part of the said Moiety. The jurors say that certain Thomas Serjeant and William Grey were lately seized in demesne as of fee of the Manors of Clearwell and Noxton in the Forest of Dene, and the said Manors, with their appces, by their charter, dated on the feast of St. George, 7th Henry V., granted and confirmed to the aforesaid Robert Greyndour and Johanna his wife to hold to them and the heirs males of their bodies for ever, and in default of such issue remainder to the right heirs of the said Robert, in virtue of which the said Robert and Johanna were seized of the said Manors, and the said Robert died on 19th Nov., 1443, so seized, without heirs male of his body, and that Elizabeth, now wife of Reginald West, Lord le Warre, is daughter and heir of the said Robert, and is aged 23 years and more.<sup>1</sup>

Reginald Lord de la Warre, the husband of Elizabeth Greyndour at the time of her father's death, in her right, presented to the Church of Avenhale in 1445, and he died in 1451 without issue by her. She subsequently married, as his first wife, John Tiptoft, Earl of Worcester, who presented to the Church of Avenhale, in 1454. He was held in great esteem, both by Henry VI. and Edward IV. He was a man of extensive learning, a good lawyer, an eminent soldier, and a great statesman. He held the high offices of Lord Deputy of Ireland, Constable of the Tower of London, and Chancellor and Constable of England, and was, on the accession of King Edward IV., elected a K.G. The great favour and power he enjoyed under the last-mentioned monarch produced extreme envy and jealousy among the Yorkist nobility; and the King having caused him to sit in judgment upon several Lancastrian adherents who had been taken on board ship at sea, whom he condemned as traitors, and of whom some were executed, rendered him odious to the Lancastrians. This event occurred immediately before the temporary restoration of Henry VI., in 1470, when the Earl of Worcester, finding himself in great danger, endeavoured to make his escape, but being hunted down, he was discovered on the top of a high tree in the Forest of Waybridge,

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 22nd Henry VI., No. 34.

and was carried to London and beheaded. Elizabeth Greyndour had, however, long pre-deceased him. She died on 1st September, 1452, on the same day on which she had given birth to a son, who also, on the same day, died. Upon the Inquisition taken after her death, it was found that she died seized of two parts, into three divided, of the Manor of Dene Magna, of two parts of the Manor of Dene Parva, and of two parts of the Manor of Abenhall, the other third parts being held by Johanna, relict of Robert Greyndour and the jurors found that Johanna de Lychefeld was her cousin and next heir : viz., sister of Robert Greyndour her father.

John Earl of Worcester died, as we have stated above, on the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, 1470, seized, by the law of England, of all the lands of inheritance of Elizabeth his late wife, daughter of Robert Greyndour, two thirds of the Manors above recited : viz., Magna Dene, Parva Dene, and Avenhale, with the Advowson of the Church there. In the Inquisition taken on Saturday next after the feast of All Saints, 11th Edward IV., the jurors say that he held by the same tenure a messuage and lands in Bledyslowe in the parish of Aure, lands in St. Briavels called Hatheweys tenement, held of George, Duke of Clarence, as of the Castle of St. Briavels, at the annual rent of 28s. 4d., and by the service of Chief Forester of all the Foresters in the Forest of Dene, and to this office, it is said, from a time beyond the memory of man, has pertained, and does pertain, certain profits of charcoal of the woods within the Forest of Dene, and 20d. of fine paid every six weeks. The jurors say likewise he held also one messuage and one carucate of land called "le ley" in the ville le Ley which was held, together with Bledyslowe, of Margaret Herbert, as of the Manor of Kilpeck, by the service of one red rose for all services, and the jurors say that on the death of the said Earl all the said premises reverted to Alice, now wife of Thomas Baynham, Esq., as cousin and heir of the aforesaid Elizabeth : viz., daughter of William Walwyn, son of Johanna, sister of the aforesaid Robert Greyndour, father of the said Elizabeth.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 31st Henry VI., No. 23.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 9th and 10th Edw. IV., No. 53.

Johanna, relict of Robert Greyndour, long survived her husband, and after an Inquisition *ad quod damnum* obtained the King's license under Letters Patent dated 28th February, 1445-6, to found a perpetual Chantry in the Parish Church of All Saints, Newland, in the Forest of Dene, at the Altar of St. John Baptist and St. Nicholas in the same Church, and to endow it with lands and tenements, &c., to the amount of £12 per annum for the support of a Chaplain to celebrate Divine Service at the said Altar, for the good estate of the said Johanna and Reginald West, Lord La Warre and Elizabeth his wife whilst alive, and for their souls after their decease, and for the souls of the aforesaid Robert Greyndour, Sir John Greyndour the father and of Marion mother of the said Robert, also of Isabella, who was wife of John, Thomas Rugge, Esq., the father, and of Katherine, his wife, mother of the aforesaid Johanna, and for the souls of John Joce, late husband of the aforesaid Isabella, of Hawise Bytton, sometime wife of John Bytton senior, of John Bytton, Knt., grandfather of the aforesaid Johanna, of Alice Sturyc, John Serjeaunt, Edmund Ford and Johanna his wife, and of the kindred, friends and benefactors of the same Johanna, and for the souls of all those who should hereafter help to sustain the said Chantry, also for the souls of all faithful departed, according to the direction of the aforesaid Johanna: the said Chantry to be called the Chantry of Robert Greyndour, and she was authorised to assign to John Clifford the Chaplain, one messuage, three tofts, one dovecote, two hundred and three acres of land, thirty-eight acres of meadow, and three acres of wood, in Lydney, Aylberton, and Newland, within the Forest of Dene, the said Chaplain to receive nine marks per annum, in part satisfaction of the stipend of twelve marks which he and his successors, Chaplains of the said Chantry, were licensed to acquire or possess.<sup>1</sup>

She afterwards married Sir John Barre, of Rotherwas, co. Hereford, and had an assignment of dower in the Manors of Avenhale, Dene Magna, and Dene Parva, 31st Henry VI.,<sup>2</sup> also by a fine levied in the same year, the Manor of Est Hannam and Upton, with

<sup>1</sup> Rot. Pat., 24th Henry VI., part 2, m. 17.

<sup>2</sup> Colchester Muniments, E. 342.

divers lands in Oldland, Upton Chaun, and West Hannam, were settled upon Trustees to the use of the said Sir John Barre for life, with reversion to his wife's heirs. He seems to have resided here, for from him the Manor of Hannam derived its name of Barre's Court. In 1472 he presented to the Church of Abenhale, in right of his wife's dower. He died, 22nd Edward IV., without issue. After her husband's death Lady Barre would seem to have removed to Clearwell, where she made her will on 3rd February, 1484.<sup>1</sup> This is a very long and interesting document. In it she made a very large number of bequests for pious and charitable uses, and for the celebration of a very great many masses for the souls of herself and her departed kindred. Among the latter, in addition to those named in the foundation of the Chantry, in the Chapel of which she desires to be buried with her husband Robert Greyndour, she names her husband Sir John Barre, Thomas Rygge and Katherine his wife her father and mother, her daughter Elizabeth, late Countess of Worcester, her sister Dame Joone Lychefeld, and William Walwyn. She also mentions her cousin Alice Beynam (Baynham) and her niece Elizabeth de la Bere. She died in the following year, and upon the inquest taken thereupon, it was found that the issue of her great aunts Maud, Elizabeth and Beatrice, sisters and eventually heirs of their brother Matthew de Button, were her nearest heirs. These were Robert Basset (of Uley) aged 50, William Strode (of Somerton and Parham, co. Dorset) aged 40, Lucy Chokke, aged 15 and more, Johanna Chokke, aged 14 and more, Elizabeth Chokke, aged 16 and more.<sup>2</sup>

In the Inquisition taken on the feast of All Saints, 11th Edw. IV., after the death of John Earl of Worcester, (ante p.146) we have seen that Alice the wife of Thomas Baynham was the nearest heir to the lands of inheritance of the deceased Countess, Elizabeth Greyndour. In the Inquisition taken at Hereford, on the 11th June, 1500, it was found that Alice Walewen was seized in her demesne as of fee of the Manors of Bykerton, Aston Ingen, and Putley, in that county, and took to her husband the said Thomas Beynam, and that after the marriage was celebrated, the said Thomas

<sup>1</sup> Probate, 23rd July, 1485, (16 Logge). P.C.C.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 1 and 2 Henry VII. No. 8 (Exch.)

and Alice were seized of the said Manors in right of Alice, and that being so seized, the said Thomas died on 16th February, 1499-50, and that Alexander Beynam was his son and nearest heir, and was aged 40 years and more. And the jurors say that after the death of the said Thomas, the said Alice held the said Manors in her sole right, and was, at that time, thereof seized. And they say the Manor of Bykerton is held of Thomas Poyntz and Johanna his wife, late wife of Walter Devereux, Lord Ferrers, Knt., as of his Castle and Manor of Webley by Military Service, that the Manor of Aston Ingen is held of Thomas Earl of Ormond, and that the Manor of Putley is held of the aforesaid Thomas Poyntz and Johanna his wife.<sup>1</sup>

We have no immediate concern with these Walwyn Manors. Thomas Baynham in right of Alice his wife, presented to the Church of Abenhale, in 1485. Alice, after the death of her husband Thomas Baynham, re-married Sir Walter Denys, Knt., whom she survived, and died on 22nd October, 1518, seized of the Manors of Abenhale, a Moiety of the Manor of Mycheldene, and the Manors of Clowerwall and Noxon, Hatheweys Court, &c., and Christopher Baynham was found to be her son and next heir, and to be aged 40 years and more.<sup>2</sup>

We have seen (ante p. 131) that in Thomas Baynham the two Moieties into which the Manor of Dene Magna, for some centuries, had been divided between the two co-heirs of William de Dene, in the person of Thomas Beynham touched though they were not *united*, for they were immediately to be again separated in the issue of his two wives:—the purparty of Johanna de Dene, the elder co-heir, was to devolve upon the issue of the first marriage of Thomas Baynham, whereas that of her younger sister Isabella was to be inherited by Christopher the son and heir of Alice Walwyn.

Christopher Baynham was knighted on 13th October, 1511, and it appears from an Inquisition taken at Cirencester, on 23rd June, 4th and 5th Philip and Mary, after his death, that the said Sir Christopher was seized on 15th November, 19th Henry VIII. (1527), of the Manors of Abenhale, Micheldene, and Little Dene,

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m. Richard III. and Henry VII. No. 178 (Exch.)

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 10th & 11th Henry VIII. (Exch.)

with their appurtenances, and being so seized by an Indenture of that date, made between the said Sir Christopher Baynham, Knt., and George Baynham his son and heir of the one part, and Sir John Gage, Knt., of the other part, in consideration of a marriage between the said George Baynham and Cecilia Gage daughter of the said Sir John Gage, to be solemnized before the feast of Pentecost next ensuing, it was covenanted on the part of the said Sir Christopher and George Baynham to enfeof William Guildford, William Kingston, Anthony Poyntz, Knts., John Baker and others, their heirs and assigns, of the Manors of Abenhall, Michell Dene and Little Dene, in the co. Gloucester, and the Manor of Bykerton, in co. Hereford, to hold to the use of the said George and Cecilia and the heirs males of their bodies, in default to the heirs males of the body of the said George, in default to the use of the said Sir Christopher and his heirs for ever; and the jurors say the said Sir Christopher died on 6th October, 1557.<sup>1</sup>

George Baynham accompanied the army on the King's expedition into France in 1544, and was knighted by the King at Boulogne, on 20th June, 1546, after the capture of the town.<sup>2</sup> He was twice married. Cecilia Gage was his second wife. He married first, Bridget daughter of Sir William Kingston, of Flaxley, Knt., who was heir of her brother Sir Anthony Kingston, the notorious Provost Marshall. By her Sir George Baynham had an only daughter named Frances, who became the wife of Sir Henry Jerningham. Upon this Frances, Sir Anthony Kingston settled the reversion of his lands in Gloucestershire, and dying on 14th April, 1556, the said Frances Jerningham was found to be his kinswoman and next heir, being the daughter of Bridget, sister and next heir of the said Anthony, and to be aged 30 years and more.<sup>3</sup>

Sir George Baynham resided at Clearwell, where on the 9th June, 1546, he made his last will, wherein he directed that his body should be buried in the parish Church of Newland. He

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 4th and 5th Philip and Mary.

<sup>2</sup> Cotton, MSS. Claudius C. III. He was also Constable of St. Briavel's Castle (*Vide* Mr. Allen's List, ante Vol. III., p. 362.

<sup>3</sup> Inq. p.m. 3rd and 4th Phil. & Mary, Part I., No. 50.

directed that all his lands, &c., in the Counties of Gloucester, Hereford, Wilts, and Monmouth, should be divided into three parts, the first part to the use of Christopher his son and heir apparent—the second part : viz., the Manors of Abynhall, Michell Deane, Lytill Dene, Netherly, and Hatheways in Ruardean, co. Gloucester, the Manor of Bykerton, with the demesnes of Putley and King's Capel, in co. Hereford, and lands, tenements, &c., in Chepstow and Hardwick, in co. Monmouth, to Cecily his wife, for her life, with remainder, after her death, to the aforesaid Christopher ; and the third part to his father-in-law Sir John Gage, Anthony Welsh, and Walter Apbt ?, Esquires, his brethren-in-law, and William Wyrall, of Byeknor, Gent., in trust of the rents and issues to make provision of 200 marks each to his daughters Joan, Dorothy, Mary, Anne, Phillipp, and Alice. He mentions his sons Richard and Thomas, his kinsman and servant, Philip Beynam, and his son Henry Jerningham, Esquire.<sup>1</sup> He was very rich in plate.<sup>2</sup> Cecilia, relict of Sir George Baynham, married, secondly, Sir Charles Herbert, Knt., who, together with her, presented to the Church of Abenhale in 1554.<sup>3</sup> He would appear to have died soon afterwards, for in 1558,<sup>3</sup> she presented to the same Church alone, being then described as “ of the City of Bristol, widow ;” and she again presented, 10 years later, as “ in her full right.”<sup>3</sup>

Sir George Baynham died at Clearwell, 6th May, 1546, leaving Christopher Baynham, his son, his nearest heir, aged 17 years and 10 months,<sup>4</sup> who had livery of seizin in 1549.<sup>5</sup> He married Bridget daughter of Arthur Porter, but died s.p., and was succeeded by his brother Richard, who was Sheriff of Gloucester in 1570. He also died s.p., and was succeeded by his next brother Thomas, who married Mary daughter of Sir William Wintour, of Lydney, Knt. He died 2nd October, 1611, without heirs male of his body, and Cecilia wife of Sir William Throckmorton, Knt., and Johanna wife of John Vaughan, were found to be his daughters and nearest heirs,

<sup>1</sup> He was not yet a Knight. He was dubbed in 1553, on the Accession of Queen Mary.

<sup>2</sup> Will Proved in P.C.C., 4th December, 1548 (Populwell 19.)

<sup>3</sup> See List of Institutions, post.

<sup>4</sup> Inq. p.m., 38th Henry VIII. Part 2, No. 92.

<sup>5</sup> Rot. Fin., 3rd Edw. VII.



Cecilia being aged 25 years and more, and Johanna 23 years and more.<sup>1</sup> In the partition of the estates, the Manor of Abenhall, the third part of the Manor of Micheldean, and the Manors of Dean Parva and Ruardean, were, *inter alia*, apportioned to the said John Vaughan as the purparty of the said Johanna.

John Vaughan was the son of Roger Vaughan, of Clyro, co. Radnor, and Kinnersley, co. Hereford, an old Roman Catholic family, and like others of his religion, suffered much for conscience sake in those days. Roman Catholics, from the accession of Queen Elizabeth until the passing of the Roman Catholic Emancipation Act, in 1829, were called upon by the legislature to suffer many disabilities and much persecution. It is no place here to enter upon a discussion of the laws against Recusancy, but it may be desirable, for the sake of the general reader, to say a few words upon the subject. By the statute of 1st Elizab., every person was required to attend his parish church under a penalty of 12d. for each wilful omission. By statute of 23rd Elizab., in addition to the above-mentioned penalty, absentees were subjected to a further fine of £20 a month, and by statute of 35th Elizab., they were required to renounce their errors or abjure the realm, and if afterwards found in the country were adjudged to suffer death as felons. These laws applied equally to all Recusants, whether Pagans, Protestant Dissenters, or Roman Catholics, but the latter, as being more important and influential, and more dangerous to the state, were subjected to greater disabilities. It is with the latter alone we are at present concerned. In addition to the general penalties enacted against Recusants, Popish Recusants over 18 years of age were disabled from taking lands, either by descent or purchase, until they renounced their religion. They were bound, at the age of 21, to register the estates which they possessed, and all future conveyances or Wills relating to them. Whilst Recusant Dissenters, Jews, and Pagans, were not disabled from presenting to benefices, the exercise of this right was taken away from Roman Catholic patrons (and properly so if all Recusants had been treated alike), and the right of presentation vested in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and they were prohibited from making any grant

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m. 11th James. No. 43.

of the presentation at the avoidance of the benefice. Upon many other great disabilities which they suffered it is not our intention to remark. All have been removed, except the necessary restriction of incapacity to present to a benefice.

John Vaughan was brought under the clutches of the law very soon after the death of Thomas Baynham, if not before. In the year 1611, under the designation of John Vaughan, of Kinnersley, co. Hereford, Esq., he was outlawed in London, at the suit of Sir John Maunsell, and a process was awarded out of the Court of Common Pleas, on 30th January, 1612, to the Sheriff of Gloucester, to extend and take into the King's hands all his goods and chattels, lands and tenements. It was thereupon found by an Inquisition, taken at Coleford, on 2nd April in the same year, before Robert Bathurst, then sheriff, that the said John Vaughan was then seized, in right of Joan his wife, of the Manors of Abbenhall, Great Deane, and Ruardean, of the yearly value of £50, and of a farm called Nasse, in Lydney, of the value of £19 per annum, and of lands in Blackmonale, Westbury, Leigh, and Awre, of the annual value of £20, which Manors the Sheriff had seized, and which were then in the King's hands. By virtue of another Exchequer process for levying the issues of the said lands, the Sheriff had levied to the King's use £40 on the lands so seized, and as the property was forfeited and remained in the King's hands, and was at his disposal while the outlawry remained, and as Sir John Maunsell had, upon petition, shewn that the lands had been extended at his charge and procurement, and that he, being a surety for the said John Vaughan and John Bagot, had paid for them £400, and had no means to recover the same except from the issues of the lands, it was granted that the said Sir John Maunsell should receive the sum of £40 already levied, and every other sum to be thereafter levied, until he was fully satisfied of the said sum of £400.<sup>1</sup> The lands remained under Escheat many years.

John Vaughan was dead in 1620, and his wife survived him, and, solely, held these Manors, of which a Court Lect and Court

<sup>1</sup> We are indebted to W. H. Cooke, Esq., Q.C., for the communication of these proceedings, but Mr. Cooke has no note of the Records whence they were abstracted.

Baron were held on her behalf on 27th April in that year.<sup>1</sup> We find that she, also, suffered under the penal laws against Recusants. In 1623 the Rectory of Abenhall became void by the death of the Incumbent, and on the 1st August in that year, a certain Richard Stringer was admitted upon the presentation of William Wintour and Alexander Baynham, Esq<sup>s</sup>. The presenters were both kinsmen of the said Johanna, and, doubtless, acted as trustees on her behalf, but on the following day the Institution of Mr. Stringer was voided,<sup>2</sup> and a certain Edward Potter was instituted upon the presentation of the University of Oxford, under statute 3rd James;<sup>3</sup> and on reference to the list of Incumbents it will be seen that whilst the Advowson continued in the possession of the Vaughan family, no presentation was made by a person of that name. The possessor, doubtless, took care to divest himself of the right in due time. This, however, was only a trifling part of the widow's troubles. In 1641 Joan Vaughan was arrested and sent to Gloucester Gaol for harbouring one Thomas Broughton, a Popish priest, and tried for her life for what was then a capital crime.<sup>4</sup> There is a tradition that she was executed at Gloucester, but she would appear to have escaped that fate, at least on this occasion, for she would seem to have been alive in 1647, when her Estates still continued under Escheat.<sup>5</sup> Nevertheless Baynham Vaughan, her son and heir, on 16th April, 1642, held a Court Leet and Court Baron, and View of Survey for the Manor of Abenhale, and third part of the Manor of Micheldean. He died in 1650, and was succeeded by his son and heir, John Vaughan, who registered the pedigree of his family at the Heralds' Visitation of Gloucestershire in 1683.

By Indentures dated 19th December, 1660, on his marriage with Frances daughter and heir of Sir Peter Browne, of Kiddington, co. Oxon., Bart., John Vaughan settled the Manors of Abenhale, Ruardean, Hathewaies in Ruardean, and Netherly, and the third part of the Manor of Micheldean, in co. Gloucester;

<sup>1</sup> Colchester Muniments.

<sup>2</sup> He was instituted to the Rectory of Micheldean on 10 June following.—*See post.*

<sup>3</sup> Act 3 James, cap. 5, by which Roman Catholics were disabled from presenting to any Ecclesiastical Benefice.

<sup>4</sup> Muniments of Courtfield.

<sup>5</sup> *Ibid*, and Recusants' Rolls, Exchequer Receipts.

and the Manors Bikerton, Aston Ingen, King's Capel, and other Manors and lands in co. Hereford, upon certain Trustees, to the use of himself for life, and to the use of the issue of the marriage (if any) in tail male, in default to the use of Thomas Vaughan, his brother and his heirs in tail male, in default to the use of Dame Mary Gifford, wife of Sir Henry Gifford, of Bristol, Bart., and sister of the said John Vaughan, and her heirs in tail male; and other lands, &c., he settled to secure an annuity of £350 a year, to the said Frances his wife, in case she survived him, in bar of dower. Other lands he settled for the term of 99 years, to the use of Thomas Vaughan his brother, and Elizabeth Vaughan his mother, but these settlements are not pertinent to our subject. In 1694, his wife being dead without issue, he made a further settlement, by lease and release dated, respectively, on 2nd and 3rd September in that year, upon John Kyrle of Ross, Esq., and George Scudamore, of Monmouth Forge, Esq., whereby the Manors of Ruardean, alias Hawthewaies in Ruardean, and Abenhall, and all his third part of the Manor of Micheldean, were to be held to the use of the said John Vaughan for life, remainder to the heirs of his body, in default remainder to John Vaughan, of Upper Ross, and Robert Needham, for the term of 1000 years, and after the determination of that estate to the use of Thomas Vaughan, of Ruardean, Esq., and Roger Vaughan, of Ruardean, Gent., sole brother of the said Thomas, with divers remainders over; and in the said Indenture it was declared between the parties that the conveyance of the said premises for the term of 1000 years was to raise money for the payment of the debts owing by the said John Vaughan, and by Thomas Vaughan, his brother, then deceased, and for the payment of the legacies under the Will of the said John, and for securing a payment of £20 a year to the aforesaid Roger Vaughan for the term of his life.<sup>1</sup> To carry out these objects it was deemed expedient by the said John Vaughan of Upper Ross, and Robert Needham to sell the Manor of Abenhall, and, accordingly, with consent of the said Thomas Vaughan, and Roger Vaughan, the said Manor, with all its appurtenances, and also the Manor house, in consideration of the sum of £4000, was

<sup>1</sup> Roger Vaughan was buried at Ruardean, on 8th Oct., 1719.

conveyed to Marshall Bridges, of Tiberton, for the remainder of the said term of 1000 years.

The Manor of Abenhall being thus vested in Marshal Bridges in fee by Indenture tripartite, dated 19th June, 1698, between the said Marshall, of the first part, John Vaughan the elder, of Over-Ross, Esq., son and heir of Richard Vaughan, of Courtfield, co. Monmouth, Esq., deceased, and John Vaughan, the younger, of Courtfield, Gent., youngest son and executor of the Will of the said Richard Vaughan, of the second part, and Sir John Curson, of Waterperry, co. Oxon, Bart., and Francis Curson, son and heir apparent of the said Sir John Curson, of the third part, in consideration of a marriage about to be solemnized between the said John Vaughan the younger, and Katherine daughter of the said John Curson, the said Marshall Bridges, with the consent of the said John Vaughan the elder and John Vaughan the younger, assigned and set over to the said Sir John Curson and Francis Curson, all the said Manor of Abenhall, with all its Royalties, Advowsons, &c., &c., to have and to hold the said Manor during the remainder of the said term of 1000 years, with certain provisions and limitations as to the issue of the said marriage. It would seem probable from this assignment, without adequate consideration, that Marshall Bridges held the Manor in trust for the Vaughans.

By Indenture tripartite, dated 19th March, 1723, between Sir John Curson, Bart., and Francis Curson of the first part, John Vaughan (the younger) of Courtfield, Esq., and Bazill Bartlett, of Hillend, co. Worcester, Esq., and Mary his wife, daughter of the said John Vaughan by Katherine his late wife, deceased, eldest daughter of the said Sir John Curson, of the second part, and Stephen Cooke, of Leigh, co. Gloucester, of the third part, after reciting the provisions of the before recited Indentures, and reciting further that the marriage between the said John Vaughan and Katherine Curson took place, and that the said Katherine was since dead leaving issue of her body only the said Mary Bartlett, who, by virtue of the settlement of 18th June, 1698, would be entitled to the said Manor of Abenhall after the death of the said John Vaughan her father for the residue of the aforesaid term of

1000 years, and further reciting that the said John Vaughan, Bazill Bartlett, and Mary his wife had contracted with the aforesaid Stephen Cooke for the absolute purchase of the said Manor for the remainder of the said term of 1000 years for the sum of £4710, in consideration of which sum, the Manor was duly assigned to the said Stephen Cooke.

Stephen Cooke, being thus seized of the above mentioned estate in the Manor of Abenhall, by Indenture dated 30th July, 1724, for the love and affection which he bore to his only son and heir apparent, Thomas Cooke, of the Middle Temple, Esq., did assign and set over to Thomas Pyrke, of Little Deane, and Charles Yate, of Arlingham, Esquires, all the said Manor of Abenhall, with the Manor House and all its appurtenances whatsoever, for the remainder of the said term of 1000 years, upon trust, for the following uses : viz., to the use of the said Thomas Cooke for the term of his life with divers remainders over, which it is unnecessary to recite, because the said Thomas Cook, being seized in fee simple of a Farm, called Ebworth Farm, in the Parish of Painswick, in co. Gloucester, and having lately built thereon a convenient Mansion House, in which he then resided, and being possessed of other lands in Painswick and the Parishes adjoining, of greater value than the Manor of Abenhall, and unburdened with any other charge than an incumbrance of £2000 and interest to his sister Anne Cooke, which lands lay more commodious to the other estates of the said Thomas than the Manor of Abenhall, in 1736 obtained a private Act of Parliament to free and discharge the said Manor of Abenhall from all trusts and charges, and to declare the said Thomas Pyrke and Charles Yate, from 27th June, 1737, absolutely possessed of the said Manor with every of its appurtenances, with power to sell the same. Accordingly, by Indenture dated 25th March, 1740, between Thomas Pyrke of the first part, (Charles Yate having deceased), Thomas Cooke of the second part, John Howell, of Lincoln's Inn, Gent., of the third part, and John Jenkins and John Lewis, both also of Lincoln's Inn, Gents., of the fourth part, the said Thomas Pyrke, with the consent of the said Thomas Cooke, in consideration of the sum of £5700 conveyed all the said Manor of Abenhall, with all its members and appurtenances, to the said John Jenkins and

John Lewis for the remainder of the said term of 1000 years, in trust for the said John Howell, and by an Indenture of even date, the said Thomas Cooke covenanted to procure the inheritance of the said Manor for the said John Howell.

Soon afterwards the Manor and Advowson of Abenhall became vested in Edward Hearne, of Micheldean, in trust for John Howell, apparently under a settlement made on 19th December, 1740, on the marriage of the said John Howell, with Elizabeth, relict of John Aston. The only issue of this marriage was a daughter Ann, and by Indres of Lease and Release, dated respectively 17th and 18th May, 1757, between the said John Howell, described as of Lincolns Inn, Esq., and Elizabeth his wife, and the aforesaid Edward Hearne of the first part, John Probyn, of Lincolns Inn, Esq., and Ann his wife, daughter and only child of the said John Howell, of the 2nd part, Edmund Probyn, Esq., only son of the said John Probyn and Ann his wife, and grandson of the said John Howell, and Elizabeth Ann Probyn, sister of the said Edmund, of the 3rd part, Sophia Dalton, spinster, only surviving daughter and child of Richard Dalton, of St. James, Westminster, Esq., by Susanna his late wife deceased, of the 4th part, Sir Edward Clive, Knt., one of the Justices of the Common Pleas, and George Eckersall, of Lincolns Inn Fields, Esq., of the 5th part, and Pierce Galliard, of Edmonton, Esq., and William Hopkins, of St. Paul's Churchyard, Lace Merchant, of the 6th part, reciting that a marriage was agreed upon between the said Edmund Probyn and Sophia Dalton, in consideration of which, *inter alia*, the Manor of Abinghall, (*sic*) with appurtenances and all Courts Lect, View of Frank Pledge, Courts Baron, &c., waifs, strays, goods of felons and fugitives, treasure trove, &c., &c., and Advowsons thereto appurtenant, were conveyed to the said Sir Edward Clive and George Eckersall, to the use of the said John Howell, for life, remainder to Elizabeth his wife if she should survive her husband, as security for the payment of her jointure of £200 per annum, remainder to the use of the said Edmund Probyn for life, remainder to the first and other sons of the said Edmund, in tail male, with divers remainders over, in default, remainder to the said John Howell and his heirs and assigns for ever; with a declaration of protection to the

said Ann Probyn against any loss which should happen by reason of any defect in title in the said Ann Probyn, to certain Messuages, etc., part of the real estate of Sir Edmund Probyn, Knt., deceased, limited to her for life by a certain Indre therein referred to, and a similar protection to Sophia Dalton in like circumstances, and reference is made to a certain Indenture, of even date, wherein provision is made for the payment of an annuity of £200 per annum to the aforesaid Anne Cooke.

By Indentures of Lease and Release, dated, respectively, 19th and 20th November, 1794, between the aforesaid Edmund Probyn, then described as of Newland, Esq., and Sophia his wife, of the first part, the Rev. John Probyn, clerk, eldest son of the said Edward Probyn and Sophia his wife, of the second part, the said lands were conveyed to Spencer Newcombe Meredith, of Grey's Inn, Gent., for the purpose of docking and destroying all estates tail and remainders, and by Recovery suffered thereupon in Michaelmas term, 38th George III., all the said lands were vested in the said Edmund Probyn in fee.

Edmund Probyn, by his Will dated 5th March, 1818,<sup>1</sup> vested all his estates, *inter alia*, the Manor, &c., of Abinghall (*sic*), in Trustees, with power to sell such portion as might be necessary to make provision for his eight younger children, and his grandson John, son of his son John Probyn, the residue being settled upon his eldest son John Probyn in tail male, with an ultimate limitation.

By Indenture, dated 7th May, 1846, between John Probyn, of Longhope, Esq., of the 1st part, Edmund Probyn, of Longhope, Esq., eldest surviving son of the said John Probyn, of the second part, and Thomas Hayes, of Bedford Row, Middlesex, Gent., of the third part, reciting the Will of the aforesaid Edmund Probyn, and reciting that the said Edmund Probyn had attained the full age of 21 years on 24th March last, conveys all the said Manors, &c., to the said Thomas Hayes, to the intent that all the said lands, &c., should be discharged from all the estates, tail male, &c., created under the Will of the said Edmund Probyn, to hold to the use of the said John Probyn for life, remainder to the use of the said

<sup>1</sup> Proved P.C.C., 8th May, 1819.



Edmund, his heirs and assigns for ever. And by Indenture, dated 24th June, 1846, certain Advowsons, *inter alia*, Abenhall were vested in fee, after the death of John Probyn, in Thomas William Budd and Selcn on Coleman, upon trust for sale. Accordingly, by Indenture, dated 22nd July, 1850, between the said Thomas William Budd and Solomon Coleman, of the first part, the said John Probyn of the second part, the Rev. William Baxter, of Cheltenham, Clerk, of the third part and Elizabeth Hill, of the City of Worcester, widow, of the fourth part, the perpetual Advowson, patronage, &c., and right of presentation to the Parish Church of Abinghall, together with the glebe lands thereto belonging, containing 25 acres, 1 rood, were conveyed to the said William Baxter.

The Advowson being thus severed has been subjected to the under-mentioned conveyances: viz., The Rev. William Baxter, by deed dated 8th June, 1852, conveyed the Advowson to John Ford Sevier, of Maismore Court, co. Gloucester, Esq., who, by his Will, devised it to Elizabeth his wife, who presented, on the 12th of July, 1873, John William Gregg, Clerk, of Glencolumbkille Rectory, co. Donegal, and in the same month sold to him the Advowson. Mr. Gregg, in 1879, conveyed it to Samuel Jenkins Johnson, Clerk, who, on the resignation of Mr. Gregg, was admitted to the benefice on his own petition on 17th June, in the same year. Mr. Johnson in 1881, sold the Advowson to Harry Ellis Wantnaby, of Dalston House, Hampton Road, in the City of Bristol, Esq., who is now the patron. The inheritance of the Manor, however, still continues vested in the aforesaid Edmund Probyn.

### WILDERNESS.

This is now the most important Messuage pertaining to either the Manor of Micheldean or to the Manor of Abenhall, and is the seat of the Lord of the first mentioned Manor. It, therefore, demands a short notice at our hands. The Mansion House is situate upon the boundary between the two parishes which receive their names from the above-mentioned Manors, and is, consequently, partly in each parish, as we shall see the premisses formerly were in each Manor.

On 28th Nov., 24th Elizabeth (1581), William Bridgeman, Esq., died seized, *inter alia*, of lands and pasture called Wyldernes, and Thomas Bridgeman was found to be his nearest heir, and to be aged 44 years and more, and the said lands were found to be held of Joseph and Thomas Baynham, as of the Manors of Micheldean and Avenhale (of which Manors they were, respectively, Lords), in free socage, by fealty, suit at Court, and rent of 20s., and the value of the said premises beyond reprises was said to be £7 per annum.<sup>1</sup> On 1st August, 44th Elizab. (1602), Thomas Bridgeman, Esq., (of Poultons Court) and Charles Bridgeman his son, sold to John Ayleway and his heirs, *inter alia*, "Wyldernes." John Ayleway died 21st July, 5th James (1607) seized, *inter alia*, of certain parcels of land in Deane and Avenhale, called Wyldernes, held in socage of the Castle of St. Briavels, and the jurors upon his Inquisition *post mortem* say that John Ayleway is son and nearest heir of the said John, and of the age of 9 years, 3 months, and 15 days.<sup>2</sup> This John Ayleway was baptized 27th May, 1598, and hence came of age on 26th May, 1619.<sup>3</sup> Having become very much involved, his lands, except Wyldernes, in 1623, were assigned by the Sheriff of Gloucestershire to Nicholas Roberts, as security for the payment of a sum of money owing to him, and on 20th February, 1623-4, the said John Ayleway, by Indenture inrolled in Chancery, sold all those parcels of land, meadow, pasture and wood called Wyldernes, in the parishes of Mycheldeane and Avenhale, to Edward Trotman, Esq., who had married Jane the relict of John Ayleway the elder,<sup>4</sup> and Samuel Trotman, Gent., in fee, and on 28th February, 1st Charles (1625-6), by Indenture inrolled before the Clerk of the Peace, the said Edward and Samuel conveyed the same premises to Peter Leigh, and Richard Colchester, Gentlemen, and their heirs for ever.<sup>5</sup> This John Ayleway married Elizabeth Scudamore, widow, daughter of Sir Richard Catchmay, Knt., on 19th July, 1624, and died s.p. 29th Sept., 1626, and was buried the following day. His brother William was found to be his nearest heir, and aged 20 years, 9 months, and 20 days. Having been born on

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m. 24th Elizab.

<sup>2</sup> Inq. p.m., 5th James, Colchester Mun., Bk. C., fo. 111.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid 112.      <sup>4</sup> Ibid C. 113.      <sup>5</sup> Ibid, 116.

4th January, 1606, he became of age on 4th January, 1627, and on 7th July, 6th Charles (1630) in conjunction with Peter Leigh and Richard Colchester, Gents., granted and enfeoffed Nicholas Roberts, in all the said lands.<sup>1</sup> Nicholas Roberts, and Giles and William his brothers, on 2nd Oct., 7th Charles (1631), demised the same for a fine of £200 to the said Richard Colchester, under the description of all those 15 several enclosed parcels of arable, meadow, pasture, and groves or wood ground containing 80 acres or thereabouts, lying altogether adjoining within the parishes of Avenhale and Mycheldean, between the great common called the King's Mynd, and the land of Edward Morse, Gent., Anthony Callowe, and William Callowe, on all parts, all which premises are now called by the name of Wyldernes, for the term of 99 years, if Edward Colchester and James Colchester, sons of the said Richard, and Richard Colchester the youngest son of the said Richard, so long should live, paying annually a rent of 20s., and two fat Capous, or 2s., on St. Andrew's day.<sup>2</sup> The fee however remained vested in Nicholas, and passed with the other lands of Giles Roberts to Richard Colchester.

During the time that Mrs. Elizabeth Colchester, relict of John Colchester who died in 1801, administered the estate in the minority of her son Maynard, she took down the old Manor House at Westbury, which had been the seat of the Baynhams and Colchesters for many generations, and built the Mansion at Wilderness, whither she removed, and which has since become the home of the family.

As regards the Moiety, or third part, of the Manor of Micheldean, &c., on 10th March, 1685, John Vaughan granted to Elizabeth Sandford a lease for 21 years of one half of the markets and fairs<sup>3</sup> of Micheldean, at a rent of 10s. per annum; and by Indenture tripartite, dated 6th July, 8th Will. III., between John Vaughan, (of Upper Ross), and Robert Needham, Gent., of the first part, Thomas Vaughan, Esq., and Roger Vaughan, Gent., of the second part, and Nathaniel Rudge, of Micheldean, Mercer, of the third part, the third part of the said Manor of Micheldeane, with appurc<sup>es</sup> and divers tenements there were granted to the said Nathaniel Rudge for a term of 900 years.<sup>4</sup> After numerous assignments by way of mortgage, ex-

<sup>1</sup> Inq. p.m., 5th James, Colchester Mun., Bk C., fo. 117.

<sup>2</sup> Colchester Mun.—B. 9.    <sup>3</sup> Colchester Muniments, D. 177.    <sup>4</sup> Ibid.

tending over several years, the estate became vested in Augustine Rock, of Bristol, Stuffmaker, who by Indenture dated 26th March, 1714, in consideration of the sum of £560, assigned and transferred all his rights, title and interest in the said third part of the Manor of Micheldean, Advowson, Chief Rents, &c., to William Hughes of Micheldean, Attorney at Law, subject however to redemption. Mr. Hughes died in February, 1722, intestate, and administration of his effects was granted to Ann Hughes, his relict, who thus became possessed of the said third part of the said Manor and premises. Many assignments by way of mortgage were again made, until on 22nd June, 1739, Ann Pope the final mortgagee, the aforesaid Ann Hughes and William Hughes conveyed to Maynard Colchester, Esq., absolutely, the third part of the said Manor of Micheldean, with appurtenances, to wit the Advowson or patronage and right of presentation to the parish Church, the Common Pound, and the land on which it stands, the Moiety of the Market House, and all the Tolls of Markets and Fairs at Micheldean, the Chief Rents payable to the said Manor, &c., &c., to hold to the said Maynard Colchester, his heirs and assigns during the remainder of the said term of 900 years.<sup>1</sup>

Thus in 1739, the Manor of Dene Magna, which had been in partition from the year 1319, became united in the person of Maynard Colchester, the descendant and heir of Richard Colchester, who, as we have seen ante, acquired the Baynham Moiety, and this Manor in its entirety has descended to its present Lord, Maynard W. Wemyss-Colchester, in whose name and blood may it long rest.

<sup>1</sup> Colchester Muniments, D. 183.

## DENE MAGNA.

## THE ADVOWSON OF THE CHURCH.

THE Advowson of the Church of Micheldean has always, as we have seen, been appurtenant to the Manor. The parish is small, consisting only of 680 statute acres, and the annual value of real property in 1815 was £1229.

According to Pope Nicholas's valuation, completed in 1292, the value of the tithes of the Rectory of Dene Magna is stated as £6 13s. 4d.<sup>1</sup> In 1340, a grant was made to the King of the value of the ninth sheaf, the ninth fleece, and the ninth lamb in every parish, and assessors and venditors were appointed to assess and sell the same. They were instructed to levy the value according to the value of Pope Nicholas's Taxation, it being considered that the ninth of the corn, wool, and lambs in 1340 would be worth as much as the tenth of corn, wool, and lambs, and other titheable commodities, and the glebe lands, were worth in 1292; and the commissioners were further instructed, for their guidance, that if the true value of the ninth should be found to exceed the tax in 1292, to levy no more than the tax, and that if it should be found to be less to levy only the value of the ninth, and disregard the tax. In Magna Dene the ninth of the corn, wool, and lambs was valued at 10 marks, and the Jurors say it was taxed at 30s. 6d. less, because the tithe hay of the rectory, with the tithe flax, oblations, heriotts, and other small tithes, were taxed the same year at 102s. 10d.<sup>2</sup> A small pension was payable to the Abbot of Flaxley. The tithes were commuted in 1839 at £176 13s. 3d. per annum, and there were then 8a. Or. 17p. of glebe, but by a Deed of Exchange, between the Rector and Mr. Colchester, dated 12th

<sup>1</sup> Taxatio Ecclesiastica, p. 161.

<sup>2</sup> Inquisitiones Nonarum, p. 416.

December, 1849, 6a. 0r. 28p., called the Great Glebe, and part of Little Glebe, were conveyed to Mr. Colchester, in exchange for the May Meadow, comprising 3a. 2r. 33p., which adjoins the Rectory garden, so that the glebe is now 4a. 2r. 36p. only. There is a good parsonage house, built during the incumbency of the Rev. Edward Machen.

The number of dwelling houses, and the population of the parish, as shewn by census returns, at the several decennia in the present century, are as under :—

	1801	1811	1821	1831	1841	1851	1861	1871	1881	
Population . . . . .	563	535	556	601	665	662	689	742	711 <sup>1</sup>	
Houses {	Inhabited . . . . .	—	121	133	150	140	147	144	159	...
	Uninhabited . . . . .	—	—	14	9	16	9	5	3	...
	Building . . . . .	—	—	3	—	2	1	—	—	...

In a Book of Array for the County of Gloucester, from an Inspection made by Henry Lord Berkeley, Lord Lieutenant of the County, in 1608, shewing the names and surnames of all the able and sufficient men in body, fit for his majesty's service in the wars, with their ages, stature, degree, or occupation, it appears that in the parish of Micheldean, there were 135 such men, of whom 40 were about 20 years of age, 55 were about 40, and 10 between 50 and 60; 12 were of the tallest stature, 16 were of middle stature, 53 of lower stature, and 24 decidedly short; 9 of them were trained soldiers, and 30 are not described, 8 are described as gentlemen.<sup>2</sup>

In the 2nd year of King Edward VI., the number of house-ling people was 268, which would imply a population at that date of about 400.

According to the certificates of the Commissioners appointed to make a Survey of all the Colleges, Chantries, Hospitals, Free Chapels, &c., &c., the revenues of which had been seized into the king's hands, the following was the description and value of the Chantries and obitts which existed in the Church of Mycheldean.

<sup>1</sup> The number of dwelling-houses had not been tabulated at the time of our going to press. <sup>2</sup> MS., Muniment Room, Condever Hall, co. Salop.

Certificate No. 69. 1.—*The Service of the Trinity and St. George.*

Founded by divers persons not known, and the lands thereunto belonging put to feoffment, with the issues and profits whereof there hath been a priest maintained, singing within the said parish [churche], praying for the said founders' souls and all Christian souls. Sir Henry Hooper, Incumbent there, of the age of 60 years, having no other living than the said service, which is yearly

cxij s. j d. ob.

The lands and tenements belonging to the same is of

yearly value of	x li. v s. iiij d. whereof
in reprises yearly	xxxvij s. x d.
And so remaineth clear by the year	vij li. vij s. vj d.
Ornaments, plate, and Jewells to the same	none.

No. 112. *Obitt rents in the said parish.*

Certain rents given for observing of one Porter's obitt

to the clear yearly value of	ix s. viij d. whereof
bestowed yearly in the same obitt	vij s.
Distributed to the relief of the poor yearly	xx d.

Certain rents given for observing of one Nory's obitt

to the clear yearly value of	xx d., whereof
Bestowed yearly in the same obitt	xij d.
Distributed to the relief of the poor yearly	vij d.

Certain rents given for the observing of one Moungey's

obitt, to the clear yearly value of	xvj d.
Bestowed yearly in the same obitt	xvj d.
Distributed yearly to the relief of the poor	nil.
Ornaments, plate, and Jewells	none

No. 69. The Chantry of Blakbroke, otherwise called Greydour Chantry, or Service.

Founded by one Robert Greyndour, by license obtained of King Henry VI., and lands, &c., given to the same for the maintenance of a discreet priest, being sufficiently learned in the art of Grammar, to keep a Grammar School, half free, that is to say taking of scholars learning Grammar viij d. the quarter, and of others learning to read iiij d. the quarter, and to celebrate at the Altar of St. John and St. Nicholas, praying for the Founder's soul and all Christian souls.

Sir Roger Ford,<sup>1</sup> Incumbent of the Service, of the age of 55 years, having no other living than in the said Chantry, which is yearly

xj li. vj s. viij d.

The lands and tenements belonging to the same are of the

yearly value of	xj li. xiiij s. viij d.
In reprises yearly	ij s. x d.
And so remaineth clear by the year	xj li. xj s. viij d.
Ornaments thereto belonging, valued at	iiii li. iij s. xj d.
Plate and Jewells to the same, valued at x ounces, at xls.	

All the tenements and rents which formed the possessions of the Chantry of Holy Trinity and St. George were set out in the Particulars of Sale, made,

<sup>1</sup> Sir Robert Forde was also Incumbent of the Chantry founded by the same Robert Greyndour, for the same purposes, in the Church of Newland (Certificate No. 23).

on 24th Dec., 1548, for Thomas Throgmorton, who is described as Servant to the Lord Protector. A certain portion, of the annual value of £1 16s. 4d. was valued at 10 years purchase, and the remainder at 22 years purchase,<sup>1</sup> and so, by letters Patent,<sup>2</sup> dated 19th May in the following year, granted, together with other more extensive Chantry possessions in the county of Gloucester, in the joint names of Sir John Thynne and the said Thomas Throgmorton, but it is evident from the valuation that the possessions here referred to were to the exclusive use of Thomas Throgmorton. It is probable that the other Chantry possessions were granted at the same time, but upon this point we cannot speak with certainty.

LIST OF INSTITUTIONS TO THE RECTORY OF DENE MAGNA.

- 1280, April 19 J. de Komeseye<sup>3</sup> was admitted to the Church of Dean Magna upon the presentation of Sir Henry de Dene.
- 1282, 12 Kal. May Mr. John de Buterl,<sup>4</sup> sub-deacon, was admitted to the Church of Dean Magna, (name of Patron not stated).
- 1283, 17 Kal. July Henry de Dene,<sup>5</sup> sub-deacon, was admitted to the Parish Church of Dean Magna, upon the presentation Sir Henry de Dene.
- 1326, Nov. 15 Walter le Maryner of Gloucester was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna.
- 1334, Dec. 8 Adam de Blefeld<sup>6</sup> was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna, vacant, and in the presentation of Ralph ap Eynon, the true patron.
- 1337, Nov. 23 Richard de Norwiz<sup>7</sup> was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna, because that Adam Blofeld, last Rector, had obtained a Benefice in the diocese of Lincoln, upon the presentation of Ralph ap Eynon, the true patron.
- not known Geoffry Caple.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Particulars for Grants, 3rd Edw. VI.    <sup>2</sup> Rot. Pat., 3rd Edw. VI., Part 4, m. 21.

<sup>3</sup> Bishop Cantilupe's Register, 65.    <sup>4</sup> Bishop Swinfield's Reg. 4.

<sup>5</sup> Ibid., 48.    <sup>6</sup> Bishop T. Chorleton's Reg. 40.    <sup>7</sup> Ibid., 46.

<sup>8</sup> In 41st Edw. III. (1367), Nicholas le Castle granted to Geoffrey de Caple, Rector of Magna Dene, all his lands and tenements in Poushill, Bullmyll, and Hope Maloisell, also all the lands which Walter his brother held in la Lee, at Castle End, and in Eccleswall juxta Gornstole, and in the following year Geoffrey Caple re-granted the same lands to the said Nicholas. (Colchester Mun., Bk. A., fo. 74.)



- 1395, May 19 Sir Thomas Whitecheued,<sup>1</sup> chaplain, was admitted to the parish Church of Magna Dene, vacant by the death of Geoffrey Caple, upon the presentation of Thomas, son of the King, Duke of Gloucester, &c., &c., patron of the said Church by reason of the minority of John ap Eynon, son and heir of Thomas ap Eynon, who of the said Duke holds by military service.
- 1395, June 8 Thomas Albyns,<sup>2</sup> chaplain, was admitted to the parish Church of Dean Magna, vacant by the resignation of Thomas Whitecheued, last Rector, upon the same presentation.
- 1401, Nov. 5 John Mulso,<sup>3</sup> Rector of Mesle, Diocese of London, was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna, upon exchange of benefice with John (*sic*) Albyn, last Rector, with the consent of John ap Eynon, the true patron.
- 1418, April 19 William Wyther,<sup>4</sup> chaplain, was admitted to the parish Church of Dean Magna, vacant by the resignation of John Mulso, upon the presentation of Robert ap Eynon, which John Mulso, with the consent of the said William Whyther was granted out of the same benefice a pension of £10 per annum.
- not known Mr. Giles Whityngton.
- 1464, Dec. 30 Mr. Richard Martyn<sup>5</sup> was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna, vacant by the death of Mr. Giles Whityngton, last Rector, upon the presentation of Thomas Beynam, the true patron.
- not known Geoffrey, Bishop of Daren.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Trefnant's Reg. 29.      <sup>2</sup> Bishop Trefnant's Reg. 29.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, 54.      <sup>4</sup> Bishop Lacy's Reg. 7.      <sup>5</sup> Bishop Stanbury's Reg. 99.

<sup>6</sup> The diocese of Daron in Palestine, founded in 12th century. In the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, and subject to the Metropolitan of Caesarea.

- 1469, Sept. 9 Sir William Sergeant,<sup>1</sup> Priest, was admitted to the Church of Dene Magna, vacant by the death of Geoffry, formerly Bishop of Daren, last Rector, upon the presentation of Thomas Beynam, the true patron.
- 1485, Oct. 5 Sir Thomas More<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Church of Deane Magna, vacant by the death of William Sergeant, upon the presentation of Thomas Baynham, Esq., the true patron.
- 1523, Jan. 16 Sir Thomas Beynham,<sup>3</sup> Priest, was admitted to the Church of Deane Magna, vacant by the death of Mr. Thomas More, the last Rector, upon the presentation of Sir Alexander Beynham, Knt., the true patron.
- not known William Augustine.
- 1552, June 30 Edward Blenerhayset, Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Dean Magna, vacant by the death of William Augustine, last incumbent, upon the presentation of William Baynham, Gent.
- not known William Budge, Clerk.<sup>4</sup>
- 1574, May 20 Richard Betty, Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Dean Magna, upon the presentation of Thomas Horne, Patron, by the grant Joseph Baynham.
- 1587, Nov. 18j Richard Bettye was admitted to the Rectory of Dean Magna, upon the presentation of the Queen, by lapse.
- 1592, July 17 Hugh Griffith, Clerk, B.A., was admitted to the Rectory of Deane Magna, vacant by the death of Richard Bettye, the last incumbent, upon the presentation of Thomas Baynham, of Clowerwall, Esq., for this turn the true patron.

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Stanbury's Reg. 88.

<sup>2</sup> Bishop Myllyng's Reg. 8.

<sup>3</sup> Bishop Booth's Reg. 98.

<sup>4</sup> On 9th February, 1573, a caveat was entered by Joseph Beynham, true patron, against the admission of any Clerk to the Rectory of Mycheldean, vacant by the death of William Budge, Clerk, last incumbent.

- 1623, June 10 Richard Stringer.<sup>1</sup>
- 1674, Feb. 5 Thomas Andrews was admitted to the Rectory of Deane Magna, *alias* Micheldean, void by the death of Richard Stringer, upon the presentation of William Collyns, the true patron for this turn.
- 1679, Aug. 11 Richard Hall, A.B.<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Micheldean, void by the resignation of Thomas Andrews, upon the presentation of Thomas Rawling, Gent., the true patron for this turn.
- 1722, Feb. 26 John White, A.M., was admitted to the Rectory of Dean Magna, void by the death of Richard Hall, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, Esq.
- 1727, June 8 Richard Roberts, A.B., was admitted to the Rectory of Deane Magna, void by the death of John White, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, of Westbury, Esq.
- 1770, Dec. 17 Sequestration of the Rectory of Micheldean, upon the death of the Incumbent.
- 1770, William Parry.<sup>3</sup>
- not known John Harris.
- 1783, June 13 John Harris, Clerk, A.B.,<sup>4</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Mitchell Deane, void by the cession of John Harris, the last Rector, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, Esq.
- 1802, Dec. 2 Edward Jones, Clerk, M.A., was admitted to the Rectory of Micheldean, vacant by the death of John Harris, Clerk, the last incumbent, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, Esq., the true patron.

<sup>1</sup> Died 4th February, 1674, aged 76, having been 52 years Rector. Buried at Michell Deane. M. I.

<sup>2</sup> This was probably Richard Hall, who matric. as a poor scholar from Alban Hall, July 1670, aged 19, son of R. Hall, of Greet, Co. Salop. He was buried at Micheldean, 19th January, 1722, aged 72. Joan his wife was buried March 5th, 1698, in the 42nd year of her age. Mrs. Amy Hall died 18th January, 1706-7, in the 92nd year of her age.

<sup>3</sup> This clerk is mentioned as Incumbent by Bigland, but we have no note of his institution. <sup>4</sup> Buried at Micheldean, 25th September, 1802.

- 1847, June 9 Edward Machen,<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Micheldean, void by the death of Edward Jones, Clerk, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, Esq., the true patron.
- 1857, Nov. 12 Charles Edward Dighton, Clerk, B.A.,<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Micheldean, void by the cession of Edward Machen, last Incumbent, upon the presentation of Maynard Colchester, of the Wilderness, Esq., the true patron.
- 1879, Jan. 18 Henry Haistwell Hardy, Clerk, M.A.,<sup>3</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Micheldean, void by the cession of Charles Edward Dighton, upon the presentation of Maynard Willoughby Wemyss-Colchester, Esq., the true patron.

## ADVOWSON OF THE CHURCH OF ABENHALL.

The Advowson of the Rectory of Abenhall, like that of Micheldean, was, until very lately, appurtenant to the Manor, but we have seen (ante p. 160) that in 1850, it was alienated and conveyed to the Rev. William Baxter, since which it has been held *in gross*, and its subsequent history is there stated. Like Micheldean it lies also within the Deanery of the Forest. In Pope Nicholas's Valuation it is found among the small Benefices, and is rated at £4 a year, which being of the value of six marks and not exceeding, was not liable to Taxation.<sup>4</sup>

In Wolsey's Valuation, the clear annual value of the rents, tithes, &c., is stated to be £4 4s. 5d., beyond 2s. paid to the

<sup>1</sup> Son of Edward Machen, of Whitemcal Park, co. Gloucester, Esq. Bap. at English Bicknor, 8th May, 1817, matriculated from Exeter College, Oxford, 3rd March, 1836. B.A., 1840. . . . Rector of Staunton, 1857-1874. Rector of Frome Bishop, Dioc. Worcester, 1879-1881.

<sup>2</sup> Son of Charles Mein Dighton, Vicar of Longhope. Born Sept., 1825. B.A., Trinity College, Dublin, 7th March, 1848. Collated to the Vicarage of Maismore, 11th Oct. 1878. Mr. Dighton was placed in Commission of the Peace for the County of Gloucester, in 1861.

<sup>3</sup> Matriculated from University College, Oxford, 25th April, 1844, aged 18. B.A., 10th June, 1848. Second son of Edmund Hardy, Esq., born at Poonah, East Indies.

<sup>4</sup> *Taxatio Ecclesiastica*, p. 175.

Vicars Choral of the Cathedral Church of Hereford for certain annual pensions 2s. 3d. to George Baynham, for chief rent, 6d. for chevage,<sup>1</sup> and 2s. for annual obit of Thomas Beynham.<sup>2</sup>

On 23rd May, 1836, the tithes were commuted for a rent-charge of £128 14s. 6d. The glebe consists of 26a, 3r. 0p. of land, and there is a good parsonage house, built during the incumbency of the Rev. James Davies. The Parish contains 751 statute acres. The annual value of real property in 1815 was £1,132.

The number of dwelling houses and the population of this Parish, as shewn by the census returns at the several decennia in the present century, are as under :

		1801	1811	1821	1831	1841	1851	1861	1871	1881
Population -	- - -	185	201	215	235	239	242	272	307	258
Houses	{ Inhabited -	—	41	42	43	47	47	48	50	—
	{ Uninhabited -	—	2	6	3	—	1	2	3	—
	{ Building -	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—

The Book of Array, alluded to ante p. 165, shews that in the parish of Abenhall there were, in 1608, 79 men fit for soldiers, of whom 14 were about 20 years of age, 50 about 40, and 6 between 50 and 60. Of these 20 were of the tallest stature, 13 were of middle stature, 36 were of lower stature, and 1 very short; 5 were trained men, 9 were were not described, and 2 are stated to be gentlemen.<sup>3</sup>

#### INVENTORIES OF THE PARISH OF ABENHALL.

The following Inventories are of much interest, as shewing what, at their respective dates, were the possessions of the Church, and exhibiting some curious customs with respect to the tithes, &c., of the parish.

*Abenhall.* An Inventory of the Goods, Vtensils, Ornam<sup>s</sup> that now are, and doe belong to the parish Church of pish afores<sup>d</sup>, exhibited to the register's office att Glouc<sup>r</sup>, on the 28th January, 1680, in pursuant to an admoniçon given att Mr. Chancellor's Visitation, held at Newent, w<sup>th</sup> in this year, 1680.

<sup>1</sup> A payment made for lands held in villanage.

<sup>2</sup> Valor Ecclesiasticus, Vol. III., p. 501.

<sup>3</sup> Muniments, Candover Hall, Salop.

To our Comunion table belongeth a good Carpett. The linen cloath, that covers that, is worne into holes. There is a fayre Silver bowle and cover, w<sup>th</sup> a little handkerchiefe to wrapp up the bowle.

To o<sup>r</sup> Pulpitt belongeth a decent green cloth, bordered w<sup>th</sup> a handsome fringe, together w<sup>th</sup> a Cushion of the same cloth and colour.

The bookes we haue are such as folowe :

A Bible translated in Queen Elizabeth's time, it is lately well bound, but wants several Chapters appointed to be read.

Wee have another great Bible, printed at Amstersdam according to a Coppy printed at Edenborough by Andro Hart, in the year 1610.

We have one of those Common prayer-bookes, sett forth in the year 1662, and a common prayer-booke, sett forth in Queen Elizabeth's reigne.


We have a booke of homilies, sett forth in that Queen's reigne, not well bound, and something wanting.

We have a booke of Cannons Ecclesiasticall, sett forth in King James his reigne.

We have a Register booke of parchment.

We have a large and fayre surplice.

In witness whereof, we have herevnto sett o<sup>r</sup> hands this 21th of January, in the yeare of our Lord, 1680.

ROBERT		BUTCHER, by his mark	}	Churchwardens
WILLIAM	GIBBIENEL			

A Terrier made by the Churchwardens and other Inhabitants of y<sup>e</sup> said parish of Abinghall.

#### ABINGHALL—

The said parish is a Rectory, And that the tythes of all sorts, both great and small, are paid to y<sup>e</sup> parson or Rector thereof; and that there are four pieces of Glebe lands, but there is no dwelling house or other building belonging to the said Rectory or pish Church of Abinghall. The first piece is called by the name of Dowers' Lease, cont. about 7 acres, and is bounded with the lane that leadeth fromwards Micheldeane towards flaxly on the east side thereof, and a lane that leadeth towards the forest on the west, and the said forest on the north side thereof, and now in the possession of one John Houlder.

The second peece is errable, or pasture, ground, called the glebe, now in the possession of the said Houlder, & conteyneth, by estimaçõn, nine acres, bounded w<sup>th</sup> the highway leading fromwards Micheldeane towards flaxly on the west side thereof, lands of Thomas Phelps on the north & pte of the west, and the lands of John Vaughan, Esq., at the north end and east side thereof, and the forest at the south end thereof.

The third peece is called by the name of the Hcallow, in the possession of one Thomas Phelps, and conteyneth, by estimaçõn, about fourteen acres, and is bounded with the lands of John Vaughan on all ptes thereof.

The fourth peece is a little peell of pasture ground, about halfe an acre, lying within an orchard of one Thomas Pyrke, gent., and is bounded with the merrynne street on the north end thereof, a house, garden, and orchard, of one Thomas Dobbs, on the east side thereof, and the orchard of the said Mr Pyrke on all other sides thereof.

The Tythes of all sorts of Corne and graine & alsoe of hay is paid to the parson or Rector, and devided vpon the first cocking. And he hath also the tenths or tythes, of all Coppice woods, and of the grafted fruits of all sorts, And of Kine, Calves, Ewes, lambs, piggs, and all other priuy tythes whatsoeuer belonging to the said pish, But for Kine and Calves, Ewes, and lambs, and piggs, the pishoñs (according to their Custome) pay to the Rector in manner followinge, that is to say. for euy Milch Cow for one year, one penny, And for euy Calue that is killed by the owner for his own use, the left shoulder. for euy Calue that is bred and stored, one halfe penny, And for euy Calue that is sould the tenth penny of the price yt was sould for, And the parson and pishoñs allwais at Easter doe reekon and make euen for all ye Kine and Calves for the year past, but no calfe paid in Kinde. for Ewes and other sheep the parson hath the tenth fleece or tenth pte of the wooll shorne, and hath alsoe the tenth lambe, but iff the pishoner hath seauen lambs and vnder ten, then the parson is to haue one and to pay the pishoner a halfe penny for euy lambe that wants of ten, And if the pishoner have not seauen lambs, then he is to pay the parson a halfe penny for euy lambe he hath, & soc make euen euy yeare, And the tyth lambs to be alwaies paid vpon the third of May, commonly called Holyrood day; And for piggs the parson hath alwaies one of ten, But if the pishoner hath not ten, yet the parson, in such case, hath one of seauen (but not vnder) and then he is not to have another pigg till the pishoner hath thirteen more, And the pigg to be paid at a fortnight ould.

And euy pishoner is to pay the parson one penny yearly for the fruits and and proffits of his garden, and no more.

THOMAS DOWLE } Old Churchwardens.  
JAMES JAMES }

TIO. MEEKE } New Churchwardens.  
WM. HENDER }

7 other parishioners.

Exhibited in Registry, Gloue.

Anno Dni., 1678.

There is a Terrier much more full, dated 11th Oct., 1680.

Signed, WM. DAVIES, Rector.

Extracts from a Terrier dated 11th Oct., 1680, in addition to the last transcribed.

And the Parson hath every year two pence of every person that is 16 years or upwards for offerings.

And every parishioner is to pay to the parson one penny yearly for his private garden, according as hath been accustomed to be paid.

And the parson is to have every Easter two eggs for every hen and three eggs for every coek which the parishioner keepeth, and also the tenth of honey and wax that cometh of it.

And the Parson hath one shilling and eight pence a year for each grist mill in the said parish.

And the parson hath agistments after the rate of one shilling and eight pence for every 20s. a year, which any of the parishioners do rent or possess which is grazed. But for the pasturing of market and hackney horses, and all plowing and harrowing oxen and horses, the parson is not to have any thing paid for them for they are profitable cattle, and for all unprofitable cattle the parishioners are to pay after the rate of 1s. 8d. in the pound rent for one year, and it is to be paid always every Michaelmas

#### LIST OF INSTITUTIONS TO THE RECTORY OF ABENHALL.

- 1317, Jan. 25 Sir John Housom, Priest,<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abbenhale, vacant, and in the presentation of Reginald de Abbenhale, the true patron.
- 1349, April 16 John de Balderton, Priest,<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Church of Abenhale, vacant by the death of Sir John Housom, the last Rector, upon the presentation of the king by reason of the custody of the lands and heir of Sir Ralph de Abenhale, Knt., deceased.
- 1366, Dec. 7 John Bourghall,<sup>3</sup> Chaplain, was admitted to the Church of Abbenhale, upon the presentation of Lawrence Greyndour, Lord of Abbenhale, the true patron, and was inducted by the Dean of the Forest.
- 1372, April 1 Walter de Motelowe,<sup>4</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abenhale, vacant by the resignation of John Bourghall, last Rector, in exchange for the vicarage of Lugwardyn, with the consent of Robert de Hunteley, Lord of Abenhale, patron of the said Rectory.

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Orilton's Reg. 16 John Housom, Parson of the Church of Abenhale was encoffed by Sir Henry de Hereford, Cl<sup>r</sup>. in the Manors of Mortford and Kyncwardeston, at Markeley Magna, co. Herford, remainder to the said Henry. Escheats 26 Edw. III., No. 17.

<sup>2</sup> Bishop Trillick's Reg. 22.

<sup>3</sup> Bishop Lewis Charleton's Reg. 22.

<sup>4</sup> Bishop Courtenay's Reg. 11.



- 1391, Sept. 15 Sir Richard Hansom, Priest,<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abenhale, vacant, upon presentation of Laurence Greyndour, Lord of Abenhale, the true patron.
- 1407, Aug. 23 John ap David, Chaplain,<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abenhale, upon the presentation of John Grendour, Knt.
- unknown James Verne.
- 1445, June 17 Thomas Fowler, Rector of Aston Ingayn,<sup>3</sup> was admitted to the Church of Abenhale, in exchange with James Verne, last Rector, with the consent of Reginald Weste, Lord Lawarre, Patron of Abenhale, as of the inheritance of his wife Elizabeth, daughter and heir of Robert Greyndour, Esq.
- 1454, Jan. 18 Sir John Skynner,<sup>4</sup> Chaplain, was admitted to the parish Church of Abnall, vacant by the death of Thomas Aston,<sup>5</sup> last Rector, upon the presentation of John, Earl of Worcester and Lord of Abenhall.
- 1472, April 22 Walter Griffith, Chaplain,<sup>6</sup> was admitted to the Church of Abenhall, vacant by the resignation of John Skynner, last Rector, upon the presentation of Sir John Barre, Knt., in right of his wife's dower.
- 1476, May 24 Sir William ap Jonys<sup>7</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abenhale, vacant by the death of Walter Griffith, last Rector, upon the presentation of Thomas Beynam, in right of his wife Alice, for this turn the true patron.
- unknown John Wayden.

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Trefnant's Reg. 12.<sup>2</sup> Bishop Mascal's Reg. 28.<sup>3</sup> Bishop Spofforth's Reg. 13.<sup>4</sup> Bishop Stanbury's Reg. 13.<sup>5</sup> This person was doubtless identical with Thomas Fowler, formerly Rector of the Aston Ingayn, from which he received the name of "Aston.<sup>6</sup> Bishop Stanbury's Reg. 91.<sup>7</sup> Bishop Myllyng's Reg. 74.

- 1529, Oct. 6 Sir William Boge, Priest,<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the parish Church of Abynhalle, vacant by the death of John Wayden, last Rector, upon the presentation of George Beynam, Esq., the true patron.
- 1554, March 23 Thomas Yerworth, Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhale, vacant by the deprivation of William Budge, Clerk, for marriage, upon the presentation of Charles Harbart, Knt., and Cecilia his wife.
- 1558, April 12 William Williams, Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhale, upon the presentation of Lady Cecilia Harbart, of the City of Bristol, widow.
- 1568, May 30 Anthony Sherry,<sup>2</sup> Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhal, vacant by death of William Williams, upon the presentation of Cecilia Harbart, in her full right.
- 1623, August 1 Richard Stringer,<sup>3</sup> A.S.L., was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhal, void by death, upon the presentation of William Wintour and Alex. Baynham, Esq<sup>rs.</sup>, in full right.
- 1623, August 2 Edward Potter<sup>4</sup> was instituted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by death, upon the presentation of the University of Oxford, by Statute, 3rd James.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bishop Booth's Reg. 158.

<sup>2</sup> Cecilia, daughter of Sir John Gage, and relict of Sir George Baynham who died 1548. Will proved (19 Populwell.) (see ante, pp. 150, 151), after whose death she married Sir Charles Herbert.

<sup>3</sup> He was Rector also of Dean Magna, to which he was instituted on 10th June in the same year. He died 4th Feb., 1674, aged 76, and was buried at Micheldean, having been 52 years Rector of that parish, M.I. He matric. from Corpus Christi Coll., Oxford, 15 Dec., 1615, aged 17, "Pleb. fil.," co. Glouc.

<sup>4</sup> The only Edward Potter of this date matric. from Queen's Coll., Oxf., 19 March, 1618-19, aged 19, "Pleb. fil.," co. Glouc., but he would seem to have been too young to have been instituted to this benefice.

<sup>5</sup> Act 3rd James I., cap. 5, which disabled Roman Catholics from presenting to benefices, and transferred the patronage to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge (see ante, p. 154).

- 1668, Feb. ... William Davies<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the deprivation of Edward Potter, upon the presentation of William Scudamore, Gent., of the City of Gloucester, for this turn the true patron.
- 1684, Aug. 7 Richard Hall was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the death of William Davies, upon the presentation of Katherine Pawlin, in her full right.
- 1722, March 10 Thomas Mantell, A.M.,<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the death of Richard Hall, upon the presentation of Charles Hyett, Esq.
- 1742, Feb. 21 Christopher Hoskyns was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall upon the presentation of John Howell.
- 1785, Oct. 12 John Probyn,<sup>3</sup> Clerk, was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the death of the last Incumbent, upon the presentation of Edmund Probyn, of Newland, Esq., the true patron.
- 1827, Mar. 21 Edmund Probyn, Clerk, A.M.,<sup>4</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the resignation of John Probyn, last Rector, upon the presentation of the said John Probyn.
- 1837, Aug. 25 James Davies, Clerk, M.A.,<sup>5</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the death of Edmund Probyn, Clerk, upon the presentation of the Ven. John Probyn, Clerk.

<sup>1</sup> Probably son of Rice Davies, "Pleb." of Staunton-upon-Arrow, co. Hereford, who matric. from St. Mary Hall, Oxford, 15th June, 1638, aged 20.

<sup>2</sup> He was probably the son of Richard Mantell, Rector of English Bicknor, (see Trans., Vol. I., p. 85) and M.A., Trinity Coll., Camb., 1720. Mary, the wife of the Rev. Thomas Mantell, was buried 12 Jan., 1719. The Rev Thomas Mantell was vicar of Longhope, 1722, on the 24th January, in which year he married Mrs. Anne Sergeaunt, and had a daughter Elizabeth, baptised there on 6th June, 1733.

<sup>3</sup> Matric. from Christ Church, Oxford, 25th June, 1777, aged 16, son of Edmund Probyn, Esq., of Newland (See ped. post p. 196.)

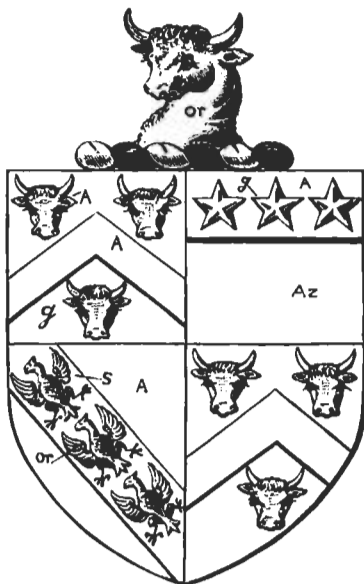
<sup>4</sup> Matric. from University Coll., Oxford, 28th Jan., 1836, aged 18, son of John Probyn, Clerk, of Abenhall.

<sup>5</sup> Matric. from Oriel Coll., Oxford, 13th Oct., 1804, aged 18, son of James Davies, of Newland, Gent., B.A., 23rd June, 1808, M.A., 6th July, 1811. Died 27th Aug., 1881, aged 95.

- 1873, July 12     John William Gregg, LL.B., was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the resignation of James Davis, Clerk, M.A., upon the presentation of Mrs. Elizabeth Sevier, of Maismore Lodge, co. Glouc.
- 1879, June 17     Samuel Jenkins Johnson, Clerk, M.A.,<sup>1</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, void by the resignation of John William Gregg, upon his own petition of presentation.
- 1881, May 14     John William Dover, Clerk, M.A.,<sup>2</sup> was admitted to the Rectory of Abenhall, vacant by the cession of Samuel Jenkins Johnson, Clerk, last incumbent, upon the presentation of Harry Ellis Wartnaby, of Dalston House, Hampton Road, in the City of Bristol, Esq., the true patron.

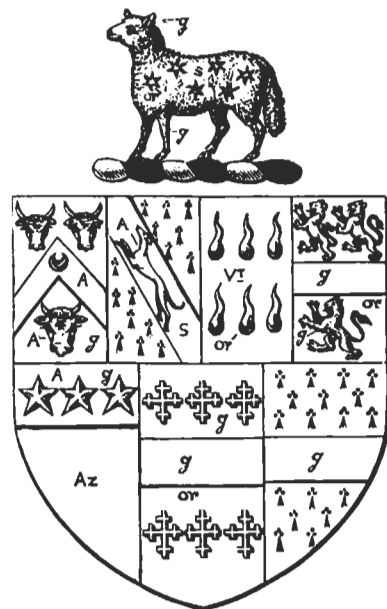
<sup>1</sup> Matric. from St. John's Coll., Oxford, 9th June, 1864, aged 19, only son of Samuel Johnson, Clerk. Born at Atherton, co. Lancaster.

<sup>2</sup> Matric. from Jesus College, Camb., 1857. B.A., 1861. M.A., 1865. Vicar of Wilmcote, 1869-1878. Son of Rev. G. Dover, Incumbent of St. Mary's, Kirkdale.



BAYNHAM, OF WESTBURY.

From *Heralds' Visitation of Gloucestershire, 1569*. *Heralds' Coll.*, D. 12, fol. 125. *Harl. MS.*, 1543, fol. 76.

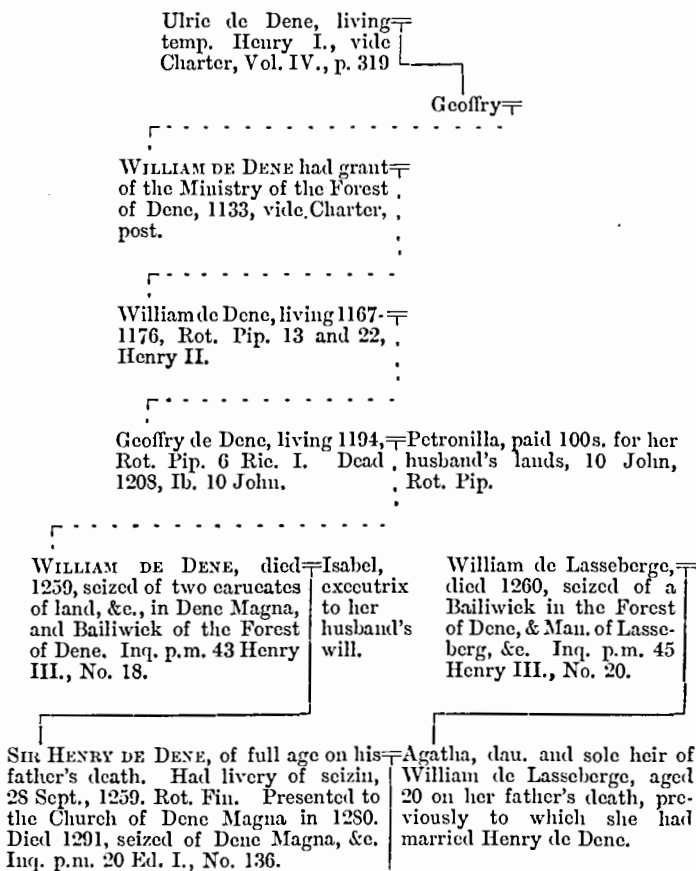


BAYNHAM, OF CLOWERWALL.

As shewn on the Standard of Sir Christopher Baynham, Kn<sup>t</sup>. *Cott. MSS. Claudius III.*

PEDIGREE OF THE FAMILIES OF DENE, ABENHALL, BAYNIAM, GREYNDOUR,  
AND VAUGHAN.

NOTE.—The names printed in small capitals in the following pedigree are those of the Lords of Dene Magna, and those printed in block-letters are those of the Lords of Abenhall.



A

WILLIAM DE DENE, son & heir, aged 28 years on his father's death. Did homage for his lands in Magna Dene, 1303, and had livery of seizin. Died 1310. *Writ diem clausit extremum*, dated 7 Sept., 4 Edw. II., Rot. Fin.

John de Dene. Richard de Dene had grant from his mother of her Serjeanty in Forest of Dene, 34 Edw. I., living temp. Edw. III. See ante, Vol. III., p. 344.

WILLIAM DE DENE, son and heir, of full age on his father's death, had livery of seizin, 14 Oct., 1310. Died 1319, seized of Magna Dene, &c. Inq. p.m. 12 Edw. II., No. 31.

Reginald de Abenhale, Lord of Abenhale. Died 1341. Inq. p.m., 15 Edw. III. Arms: or, a fess gu.

RALPH AP EYNON, Arms: Gu. a chev. betw. 3 Bull's heads, cabossed ar.

JOHANNA, da. & co-h. aged 5 yrs. on her father's death

Isabella, da. & co-h., aged one month on her father's death, survived her husband being pregnant on his death.

Sir Ralph de Abenhale, Lord of Abenhale, aged 24 years on his father's death. Had grant of Market & Fair at Dene. Died 9 Aug., 1347. Inq. p.m. 21 Edw. III., No. 16.

THOMAS AP EYNON, 7 Edw. III.

Robt. de Hunteloy survived his wife and held the Manor of Abenhale, presented to the Church in 1372.

Margaret, dau. and heir, aged 5 years on her father's death. The King presented to the Church of Abenhall in 1349, as having the Custody of the lands and heir of Ralph de Abenhall, knt., decd. Died 7 Oct., 1375. Inq. p.m. 49, Edw. III., Part I., No. 64.

THOMAS AP EYNON, 34 Edw. III. Dead in 1395.

Isabella, da. of ..... 2 wife living 1402 (Trans. Vol. I., p. 87.

Sir John Greyndour, aged 19 years on his mother's death. Sheriff of Gloucestershire, 1405 & 1411. Presented to the Church of Abenhale, 1391 & 1407. Died 1416. *Writ diem clausit extremum* dated 30 Oct., Rot. Fin. 4 Hen. V.

JOHN AP EYNON, 5 Rich. II. The Duke of Gloucester presented to the Church of Dene Magna by reason of the minority of John ap Eynon, son & heir of Thomas, 1395, and he himself presented 1401.

Elizabeth, da. of ..... 3 husb. Sir Hugh Monmouth

...Brewc, Sir William Lychfield. Johanna Greyndour, sister, and sole heir of niece the Countess of Worcester, on whose death in 1452, she was aged 30 years and more. Will dated 28 Aug., and Prob. 14 Nov., 1461 (24 Stockton).

William Baynham, of Calles.

ROBERT AP EYNON at Baynham, Lord of Dene, I. Hen. VI., Visitation of Gloucester, 1569, Herald's Coll., D. 12, p. 125.

Margaret, da. of ..... Abrahall.

Thomas Robert William Walwyn, of Bykerton, co. Hereford, 1432, of Ruardlyn, 1453 (Tran. I., 88) named, in mother's Will. Died at Rochester. Will dated 30 Sep. Prob. 23 Nov., 1471. (4 Watty's). 1

Eliza- beth.

B

C

**William de Abenhale,**

**Ralph de Abenhale**, son of Wm. de Abenhale, Ped. Fin. 39 Hen. III., Lord of Abenhale, died 1301. Inq. p.m., 20 Edw. I., No. 39. Constable of St. Briavel's Castle, 1301. = **Matilda**, wife Sir of Ralph, John Ped. Fin., Joyce, 53 Hen. III. Knt. = ..... da. of Sir John de Button.

**John de Abenhale**, aged 32 years on his father's death. Lord of Abenhale, had livery of seizin, 1307. Rot. Fin. 35 Edw. I. Died 1316 s.p. Inq. p.m. 10 Edw. II.

**Ralph**, brother and heir, aged 40 yrs on his brother's death.

**Philip Joyce**

**John Richard Joyce, Joyce**, ob. s.p.

= **Lettie** da. of **Henry Panbridge**.

**John Joyce**, or **Joce**.

**Sir John de Button**.

= **Hawisia de Furneaux**.

*Arms: Erm. a fess gu.*

**Robert Greyndour**

= **Margaret**

**Mathew de Button**, Died 1374.

= **Constantia de Kingston**.

= **Maud**

= **William de la More**, alias **Attemore**, died 1341, seized of Oldland in Bitton.

= **Laurence Greyndour**, presented to the Church of Abenhall, in 1366. *Arms: vert, six guttes or.*

**Johanna Hurst**, 2 wife, re-mar. **Sir John Deverose**

= **Sir John Button**, died 1382.

= **Margery**, da. & co-h. 1 wife.

= **Marion**, da. and heir of ..... **Hathewy**, 1 wife.

**Thomas Rigge**, or **Rugge**, of **Charlecombe**, co. **Som.**

= **Katherine Button**, dau. and heir.

= **William Walwyn**, of **Byker-ton**, co. **Hereford**, 1 husb. *Arms: Erm. upon a bend, sa. a greyhound passant, ar.*

**Robert Greyndour**, son & heir, died 19 Nov., 1443, seized of the Manors of **Michel Dene** and **Abenhall**. Inq. p.m. 22 Hen. VI., No. 34.

= **Johanna**, da. of **Thomas Rigge**, or **Rugge**, of **Charlecombe**, co. **Som.** Had dower in **Micheldene** and **Abenhale**. Will dated 3 Feb., 1484, (16 Logge).

= **Sir John Barre**. Presented to the Church of **Abenhall** in 1472, in right of his wife's dower.

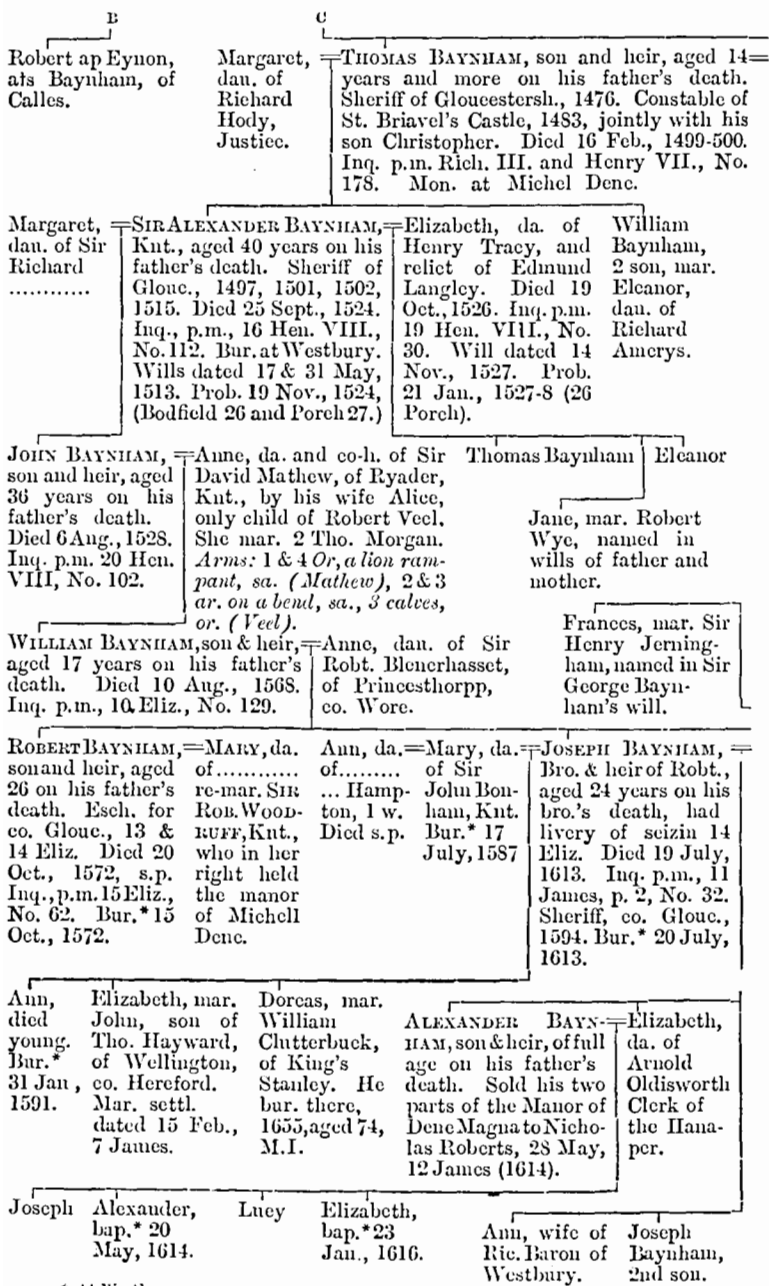
**Reginald West**, Lord of **Worle Warre**, mar. before 1443. Died 1451 s.p. Presented to the Church of **Abenhale** in 1445, in right of his wife.

= **Elizabeth**, da. and heir, aged 23 on her father's death. Died 1 Sept., 1452, seized of 2 parts of **Michel Dene**, &c. Inq. p.m. 31 Hen. VI.

= **John Tiptoft**, Earl of **Worcester**, beh. 18 Oct., 1470, seized by law of England of 2 parts of Manors of **Mycheldene** and **Abenhall**. Presented to the Church of **Abenhall**, 1454. Inq. p.m., 9 and 10 Edw. IV.

**John Tiptoft**, died 1 Sept., 1452.





\* At Westbury.

**Alice Walwyn**, da. and heir of William Walwyn, named in her father's will. Re-mar. before 16 Oct., 1603, Sir Walter Denys, Knt. Died 10 Oct., 1518. Inq. p.m. 10 Henry VIII. Exchq.

Margaret, mar, Thos. Derhurst.

**Sir Christopher Baynham**, of Clearwell, co. Glouc., aged 40 years and more on his brother's death. Sheriff co. Glouc., 1510, 1516. Died 6 Oct., 1557. Inq. p.m. 4 & 5 Philip and Mary, No. 49.

Joan, da. of Sir Thomas Morgan, of Pencoyd.

Elizabeth, mar. Robert Russell.

Isabell, mar. Sir Giles Brydges. Bur. at Cubberley. Arms: Bridges, imp. Baynham.

Anne, mar. 1st Sir Henry Clifford. 2nd William Trye.

Bridget, da. of Sir William Kingston, and heir of of her brother Sir Anthony Kingston.

**Sir George Baynham**, son and heir, of full age on his father's death. Died 25 Sep., 1546. Sheriff co. Glouc. 1543. Will da. 9 June, 1546. Prob. 4 Dec., 1548 (Populwell 19). Bur. at Newland. Inq. p.m. 38 Henry VIII., part 2, No. 92.

Cecilia, da. of Sir John Gage, settle. before mar. 15 Nov., 13 Hen. VIII., (1527).

Alice, eld. dau., mar John Walsh, of Sheldesley, co. Worc., son and heir of John Walsh, of the same place, by Margaret, sister to Sir Edw. Blunt, of Sodington. (See Wills 79 Nevill)

Joan, da. of William Smith, of Bromshill, co. Glouc., Bur. 11\* Dec., 1612.

Daniel Baynham, of the Grange, Westbury, 3rd son of bur.\* 29 Aug., 1620.

Silchester, da. of John Hampton, mar.\* 24 Dec., 1579.

Elizabeth, mar. Willm. Rudston.

un mar. A .... Weston

Mary, mar.\* Thos. Elberton, 18 Nov., 1563.

Margaret, mar.\* 12 Dec., 1581, Charles Vaughan.

Daniel Bur.\* 13 April, 1585. Sarah, Judith.

Samuel Baynham, son & heir, of the Grange, Westbury.

Margaret, da. of Alex. Walwyn, of co. Hereford, Bur.\* 4 Jan., 1622.

Elizabeth. Bur.\* 11 June, 1596.

John. Bur.\* 28th Aug., 1580.

Joseph Baynham, son and heir, aged 2 years, 1620.

Dorcas.

\* At Westbury.

† At Ruardlene.

E

Richard, named in father's will, 2 son, ob. s.p. Sheriff 1570, held manor of Dene Parva, 1571.

John, named in father's will, ob. s.p.

**Thomas Baynham**, 3 son, heir of his brother. Sheriff 1582-1602, Died 2 Oct., 1611, aged 75. Bur. † Inq. p.m. 11 James, No. 33.

Mary, da. of William Winter, of Lydney, Knt.

Joane, named in her father's Will, mar. Sir Anthony Strelly.

Dorothy, named in her father's Will, Williams, of Langybbby, co. Mon.

Mary, named in her father's Will, mar. .... Fenton co. Notts.

Cecily Baynham, co-h., mar. Sir William Throgmorton, Knt., aged 25 years on her father's death, and then mar. He bur. † 20 July, 1628.

Two sons, s.p.

Elizabeth, wife of John Harpur, of Madley, co. Hereford.

Thomas, died unmar.

Roger Vaughan, of Salisbury, co. Wilts

Ann, da. of Lord Arundel, of Wardour, and sister of Henry Lord Arundel, who was living 1683. *Arms: sa. 6 swallows, 3, 2, and 1, ar.*

Thomas Vaughan, died 10 Feb., 1701, in the 54 year of his age. Bur. † M.I.

Roger Vaughan, bur. † 18 Oct., 1719, M.I.

Thomas Vaughan, Johanna 2 son, died in 1695.

† At Newland.

‡ At Ruardene.

**Christopher Baynham**, son and heir, aged 17 years and 10 months on his father's death. Had livery of seizin, 3 Ed. VI. Paid comp. to avoid knighthood, 1 & 2 Mary, named in father's will.

Anne, named in her father's Will. mar. John Strelly, bro. of Anthony.

Phillipp, named in her father's Will. Mar. William Cannop.

Alice, named in her father's Will. Mar. Thomas Brayne, of Dene Parva, 27 May, 1573.

Jane, mar. George, 4 son, ..... not named in father's Will.

Turberfeld.

Roger Vaughan, of Clyro, co. Radnor

**Johanna**, da. and co.-h. of Thomas Baynham, of Clowerwall, co. Glouc., bap. † 17 Nov., 1585, aged 23 years on her father's death and then married. Held Court Leet and Court Baron of the M. of Abenhale, and 3rd part of M. of Micheldean, 20 Ap., 1620.

**John Vaughan**, of Kinnersley, co. Hereford, dead before 1620. *Arms: sa, a chev. betw. 3 boy's heads, couped at the shoulders, arched or. enwrapped about the head with a snake ppr.*

**Baynham Vaughan**, Lord of Abenhall and Micheldean, of which he held a Court Leet and Court Baron, 16 April, 1642. Died 11 July, 1650, aged 44. Bur. † M.I. Admo. to Daniel Wicherley, during minority of children, John, Johanna, and Thomas.

Elizabeth, da. of Sir Henry Guildford, of Hamstead, co. Kent.

**John Vaughan**, of Ruardene, son & heir. Will dated 4 Sept., 1694, died 17 Dec. following, s.p. in the 56 year of his age. Bur. † M.I.

Frances, da. of Sir Peter Browne, of Kiddington, co. Oxon., Bart. Mar. settl. dated 19 Dec., 1660. Died 5 June, 1694. Bur. † M.I. *Arms: sa 3 lions ramp. betw. 2 cotises, ar.*

Mary Vaughan, living in 1734, and named in her son's Will.

Sir Henry Gifford, of Burstall co. Leic., Bart. Died 1665.

Sir John Gifford, of Burstall, Bart., died 1736, s.p. Will dated 28 Aug., 1734. Prob. 18 June, 1737 (134 Wake)

Frances, exr. to her husband's Will.

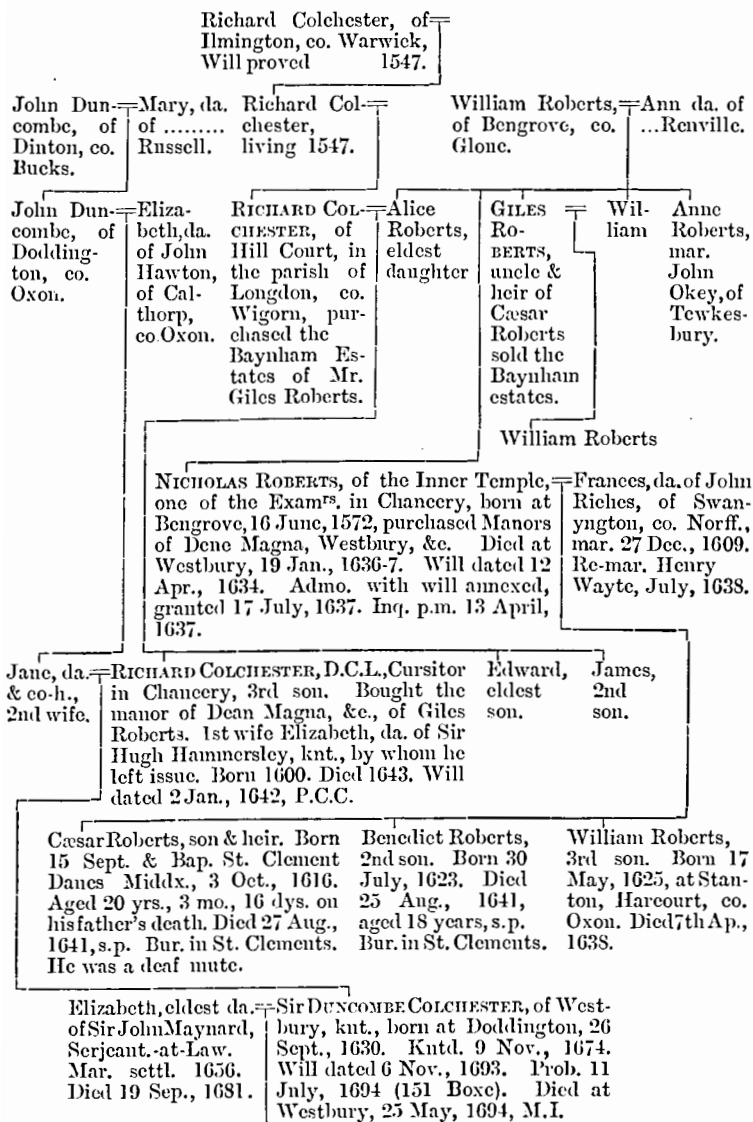
Mary Anne, sister and heir.



ARMS OF M. W. WEMYSS-COLCHESTER, ESQ.

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| 1.—Wemyss.       | 9.—Westmanton.           |
| 2.—Colchester.   | 10.—Prideaux, of Gurlyn. |
| 3.—Duncombe.     | 11.—Prideaux (ancient).  |
| 4.—Harris.       | 12.—Giffard.             |
| 5.—Ashe or Esse. | 13.—Esse.                |
| 6.—Dinham.       | 14.—Spencer.             |
| 7.—Wortham.      | 15.—Huddy.               |
| 8.—Westlake.     | 16.—Nansperian.          |

PEDIGREE OF ROBERTS AND COLCHESTER.



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MAYNARD COLCHESTER, born 4 Mar., 1664-5, bap.† 28 Mar., 1665, a Colonel in the army. Built Wilderness, 1710. Died 25 June, 1715, M.I. Bur.† Will dated 1 Aug., 1706.	Jane, da. of Sir Edw. Clark, kn., Lord Mayor of London, & heir of her brother, Sir Thomas Clark, mar. settl. 28 Dec., 1689. Died Oct., 1741.	Jane Colchester, mar. John Grant, Clerk, D.D. Rector of St. Dunstan's, West, and Preb. Rochester. Mar. settl. 4 Aug., 1685. He died 1736.	Mary Colchester, bap.† 29 Ap., 1662, mar.† 6 Feb., 1685, Nathaniel Pyrke, of Dean Hall. He died Oct., 1715, æt 59. She Dec., 1738, æt 76.	Dorothy, bap.† 1 Oct., 1667, bur.† 15 Oct., 1669. Mary, bap.† 29 Ap., 1662. unmar. 1662.	Henry, bap.† 5 Oct., 1667, Oct., 1669. Mary, bap.† 29 Ap., 1662. unmar. 1662.
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Thomas, bap.† 18 Nov., 1698.	Edward, bap.† 18 Ap., 1700, bur.† 23 May, following.	Ann, da. & co-h., mar. Ralph Freke, of Hamington, co. Wilts, Died Oct., 1746. He died 1757.	Jane, da. & co-h., born 1710. Thomas Morgan, of Tredegar & Ruperra, M.P. He born 1702, died 1769, she died 1767.	Elizabeth, mar. bap.† 8 Aug., 1706, died 1722, unmar.
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Henry Somerset Colechester, bap.† 5 Oct., 1669, of Little St. Mildred's Poultry, London. Adm. to Sarah his relict, 4 Mar., 1718-9.

Sarah, da. of..... Adm. to her husband

Elizabeth, Mary, born mar. Thomas Trigg, of Newnsham, & ham, died 2ndly..... Tash.	Duncombe, MAYNARD COLCHESTER of Westbury, a Colonel in the army, born 1703, mar. Apr., 1727, died 25th May, 1756, aged 53. Will dated 2 Mar., 1744. Cod. 4 May, 1756. Prob. 3 Feb., 1757 (43 Herring) M.I.	Elizabeth, da. of William Harris, of Pickwell, co. Dev., and sister & co-h. of Sam. Harris, of Launceston, co. Cornw., bap.† 21 Ap., 1702, post nupt. settl. 19 & 20 Oct., 1758. Re-mar. Charles Brimsdon, of Wotton Basset, Clk. Mar. settl. 31 July, 1 Aug., 1759. Died 1777.
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Mary, bap.† 17 Mar., 1727, bur.† 6 May, 1728.	Henry, bap.† 12 Oct., 1729, bur.† 31 Aug., 1733.	Duncombe, bap.† 10 Ap., 1731, died 1810, unmar.	Maynard Colchester, bap.† 25 Jan., 1730. Died Aug., 1787, aged 37, unmar. Will dated 28 Dec., 1782.	JOHN COLCHESTER, bap.† 9 May, 1741, only surviving son & heir, of Westbury. Bur.† 4 Feb., 1801, aged 59. Prob. 10 Mar., 1801.	Elizabeth, da. of John Dighton, of Ascot Park, co. Oxon. Mar. May, 1794. Died Feb., 1827.
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† At Westbury.

\* At Abenhall.

‡ Georgeham, co. Devon.

Richard Prideaux, of Theoborough, co. Devon, son and heir of Richard Prideaux, of the same place, who died 11 Dec., 1603. Aged 57 years on his father's death. Will dated 17 July, 1614. Prob. 19 Feb., 1618-9 (17 Parker).

Zenobia, da. and co-h. of James Nansperian, of Gurlyn, co. Cornw. Will dated 4 Sept., 1634. Cod. 18 May, 1635. Prob. 28 June, 1636 (Archd. Cornw.)

William Prideaux, of Gurlyn, co. Cornw. Will dated 10 Mar., 1620. Prob. 18 May, 1627. (Archd. Cornwall.)

Johanna, da. of John Roscarrock, mar. at St. Martin's in the Fields, co. Middlx., 13 Dec., 1624. = Walter Langdon, of Keverell, co. Cornw. (Chanc. Proc. 1658.)

John Prideaux, of Gurlyn. Died 15 Feb., 1619, aged 21 years.

Honour, da. of James Praed, of Trevetho.

Catherine Prideaux, mar. at St. Earth, co. Cornw., 15 Apr., 1651, Nicholas Eliot, ancestor of the Earl of St. Germans.

Bridget, dau. of Edm. Prideaux, of Pricdeaux Place, co. Cornw. 2 wife, Mar. lic. 27 July, 1676. Mar. St. Mary's Truro, 24 Ap., 1677. Bur. there, 6 Nov., 1681.

Arscot Bickford, of Dunsland, in the parish of Bradford, co. Devon. Bur. there, 19 June, 1693.

Honour, da. & co-h. aged 6 yrs. in 1654. (Royalist comp. Papers).

Johanna, da. & co-h. Bap. St. Earth, Cornw., 1647, aged 7 years, 1654. (Royalist Comp. Papers) mar. St. Ives, 29

Francis Gregor, son & heir, of Trewarthenick, Dep.-Lient. for Cornw. 19 Ch. II., 1672.

William Harris, of Pickwell, in the parish of Georgeham co. Devon, bap. ||

Honour Bickford, da. & heir of her mother, bap. 14 Nov., 1679, mar. 12 Feb., § 1699.

John Gregor, of Trewarthenick, surnamed "the Giant," born Died 1716.

Elizabeth, da. of Sir Walter Moyle, of Bake, co. Cornw.

Samuel Harris, of Smallacombe, bap. † 20 May, 1709. Bur. 4 Mar., 1773. Adm<sup>o</sup> 3 Feb., 1803.

Florence, da. of Henry Incedon of Barun, mar. Werrington, 21 Nov., 1745.

Dorothy, da. & co-h. of niece, Dorothy, mar. at Bratton Clovelly, 27 July, 1724.

Frances Gregor, son & heir, of Trewarthenick.

Dorothy, da. & h. Died a lunatic un-mar.

Mary, da. and co-h., mar. John Samuel Silly, of Heligan, co. Cornw. He died 29 Mar., 1797, s.p.

RICHARD COLCHESTER, son and heir, of Chosen House, bap. † 25 Sep., 1738. Bur. † 16 Dec., 1782. s.p.

Susanna, da. of William Jones, of Nass.

Elizabeth, bap. † 27 Ap., 1733. Bur. † 31 May, 1742.

Jane, bap. † 8 June, 1735. Mar. 1758, Richard Mabbett, of Bristol, Mar. settl., 22 July, 1758. Died 1802.

Harriett, mar. Jenkyn Wyrall, of Charlotte, Bicknor Court, co. Glouc Mar. settl. mar. William dated 20 Nov., 1797. Mar. 11 Aug., 1798. He died 2 Aug., 1801. See Trans., Vol. I.

§ At Bradford, co. Devon.

|| At Lifton, co. Devon.



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Edward Arabella, Mary. Dorothea Maria, MAYNARD COLCHESTER, of bur. 12 bur. † 25 bur. † 24 July, Westbury & the Wilderness, Dec., 1860, May, 1873, aged 84, born 25 July, 1785. Sheriff for aged 68 1790. unmar. Gloucestersh., 1840. Bur. † unmar. Inf. Apr., 1860, aged 74, s.p. Will dated 28 Sept., 1798. Prob. 27 April, 1860.
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Francis Wemyss, Lieut. Bom- bay Engineers. Died 27 June, 1848, aged 36. Will proved 18 Aug., following. Bur.*	Eliza, da. of Thomas Dickinson, re-mar. W. B. O'Connell. Died 17 Jan., 1863, aged 44. Bur.*	James Robert, of Gloucester, Died 12 Aug., 1856, aged 41. Bur.*
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MAYNARD WILLOUGHBY WEMYSS, now Maynard Willoughby Wemyss-Col- chester, having assumed the name of Colechester, in addition to and after that of Wemyss, on succeeding to the West- bury Estates, formerly Lieut. Rl. Artillery, born 14 Aug., 1846.	Mary Clere, da. of Edward Newton Dickenson, by Mary Dorothea, his wife, da. of Thomas George Fitzgerald. mar. at St. Saviour's, Westborne Grove, co. Middx., 14 June, 1871.
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Maynard Francis Edward, son & heir, born 12 Mar. Bap. West Hoathly, co. Sussex, 27 Ap., 1872.	Geraldine Minie Clere, born 7 Jan., bap. West Hoathly, 14 Feb., 1874.
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† At Westbury.

\* At Abenhall.

‡ Georgeham, co. Devon.

Helena, died unmar., Admo. 27 Feb., 1860, and 12 Feb, 1861.	HENRIETTA, mar. Lt-Colonel Charles Davies, of E. I. Comp. Service, and of Bicknor Court. He died 1 Oct., 1844, aged 57. She died 6 May, 1877, aged 87. Both bur. Eng. Bicknor, M.I.	Elizabeth, eld. dau., died 3 Ap., 1821, aged 33. Bur.* in chancel	Francis Wemyss, Major Royal Marines, 1814. Died 17 April, 1848, aged 73 Prob. of Will, 4 May, following. Bur.*
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Col. John Maurice, Died 18 Mar., 1863, aged 43.	Dorothea Maria, mar. Charles Barton.	Mary Elizabeth, living unmar., 1882.	Francis, died 25 Jan., 1847, aged 3 years. Bur.*
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Harriet, living unmar., 1882.	Alice, living unmar., 1882.
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Cecil Dorothea, born 21 Ap., bap. West Hoathly, 4 June, 1876.	John Maurice, born 20 Mar., bap 18 Ap., 1880, Micheldcan.
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## PEDIGREE OF PROBYN.

Table I.

John Probyn, of Newland, ob. Glouc., ob. cir. 1626, ob. cir., 70.		Mary, da. of Christopher Hall, of High-meadow, ob. cir. 1627.	
Christopher, died young.	Thomas Probyn, of Newland, db. in Wales. cir. 1646	Edmund Probyn, of Newland, ob. cir. 1623, at 45.	Mary, da. of Thomas Symonds, of Clewerwall, ob. cir. 1638.
Elizabeth, da. heir of James Woodruff, of Wollaston, co. Glouc. Died 1658, s.p.	&=William Probyn, of Newland, son & heir. Died 11 Feb., 1702, aged 85. Bur. ‡ M.I.	=Elizabeth, da. of Edmund Bond, of Walford, co. Heref., relict of William Hopton, of Huntley. Died 1714, aged 70. Bur. ‡ M.I.	=William Hopton, of Huntley.
Sir Edmund Probyn, s. & h. of the Middle Temple, Justice of the King's Bench, Knt <sup>d</sup> , 8 Nov., 1727. Chief Baron of Exch., 28th Nov., 1741. Will dated 15 Mar., 1741. May, 1742 (166 Trenley), s.p.	‡=Elizabeth, da. of John Blencoe, Knt., Justice of Common Pleas. Died 22 and 28 Oct., 1749, M.I. Will dated 9 July, 1748, Prob. 6 Nov., 1749 (352 Lisle)	William Probyn, Bap. ‡ 9 Nov, a Capt. of one of his Majesty's Ships of War.	Mary.
Sarah, bap. ‡ 27 May, 1672, named in brother's will.		=.....Hopkins.	
William Hopkins, of London, Merchant. Died 12 April, 1763. Aet. 59. Named in Will of uncle, Sir Edm. Probyn, and in those of aunts Blanche and Hannah.	=Saah, da. of Walter, Williams, of Dingston, co. Monmouth. Died 14 Feb., 1749. Aet. 48. Bur. ‡ M.I.	Edmund Hopkins, afterwards Probyn, named in Will of uncle, Sir Edmund Probyn. Died 21 Sept., 1793, aged 34. Bur. ‡ M.I.	Thomas Hopkins, afterwards Probyn.

William Probyn, of Dean Magna, ob. s.p.	Susan, wife of ..... Cecil, of Monmouth, after of William Catchmay, of the same place.	Ann, wife of Henry Worgan, of Clower- wall.
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Hannah, bap. ‡ 5 Jan., 1674. Bur. ‡ 2 Feb., 1741. Will dated 21 Oct., Prob. 6 May, 1742 (164 Trenley).	Blanche, died 10 Aug., bur. ‡ Sept., 1741, aged 60, M.I. Will dated 21 Nov., 1731, Prob. 6 May, 1742 (164 Trenley)	Frances, named in her brother's will. Died 22 June, 1766, aged 90, M.I.	Elizabeth, mar. .... Williams, named in brother's will.
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**John Howell**, of Lincoln's Inn, afterwards of Newland, co. Glouc. Purchased the manor of Abenhall. Died 24 Aug., 1778, aged 90, and Bur. ‡ M.I. Will dated 13 Feb., 1777. Prob. 20 Oct., 1778 (403 Hay). Elizabeth, da. of .....  
Relict of John Aston  
Mar. settl. 19 Dec., 1740.  
Died before her husband.

Elizabeth Hopkins, named in Wills of aunts Hannah and Blanche, died 9 March, 1759. Bur. ‡ M.I., unmar., aged 62.	John Hopkins, of Lincoln's Inn, nephew and heir of Sir Edmund Probyn, Kut., in compliance with whose Will he assumed the surname of Probyn, instead of Hopkins. Died 22 Mar., 1773, at 70. Bur. ‡ M.I.	Ann, da. and sole heir, Died 18 Nov., 1784, aged 72.
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<b>Edmund Probyn</b> , only son and heir, of Newland. Sheriff of Gloucestershire, 1747. Bur. ‡ 26 April, 1819, aged 82. Will dated 5 Mar., 1818, cod. 12 Jan., 1819. Prob. 8 May, 1819.	Sophia, only surviving child of Richard Dalton, of Knaith, co. Lin., and of St. James, Westm <sup>r</sup> , by Susanna, his wife. Bur. ‡ 31 Dec., 1802.	Elizabeth Anne, only daughter.
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Ann, bap. ‡ 27 Dec., 1758. Bur. ‡ 29 June, 1762.	Henry Probyn, bap. ‡ 7 Oct., 1766.	Edmund, bap. ‡ 2 June, 1760.	Thomas, bap. ‡ 14 June, 1763, Major 18 Foot and Col. in the army. Mar. ‡ 7 Sept., 1802, Eleanor, da. of Gen. James Rooke, of Bigsweir, & relict of Col. Patterson = Issue all dead.	Richard, youngest son, bap. 17 May, 1775. Died 3 and bur. ‡ 5 Jan., 1784, aged 8 years, M.I.
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<b>John Probyn</b> , Clerk, son & heir, bap. ‡ 27 Feb., 1761. Matric. from Ch. Ch. Oxon., 25 June, 1777. Rector of Abenhall, 12 Oct., 1785. Vicar of Loughope Archd. of Llandaff, 16 Ap., 1796. Dean of Llandaff, under Act of Parliament, 1840. Died 4, bur. * 13 Oct., 1843, aged 82. M.I.	Anna, da. of Roynon Jones, of Hay Hill, co. Glouc.
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Edmund Probyn, Clerk, bap. ‡ 8 Sept., 1778, matric. from Univer. Coll., Oxon., 28 Jan., 1836. Rector of Abenhall, 21 March, 1827. Died 1837.	Juliana, da. of..... Webb, of Milford Hall, co. Surrey.	Thomes Probyn, Cap. Hon. E.I.C. Service.	Margaret, da. of Wm. Roberts, of Glouc., M.D. Bur. ‡ 23 Dec., 1880, aged 81.
		Grace Georgiana, bap. ‡ 4 Aug., 1833.	

Edmund Vicar of Loughope, mar. Mary, da. of John Spicer, of Esher Place, co. Surrey.	John Webb, bap. * 12 Oct., 1828, mar. 28 Ap., 1870, Araminta Louisa, only da. of William H. Hoare, of Oakfield Lodge, co. Sussex.
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<b>John Probyn</b> , son and heir, of Loughope and Newland, Bap. ‡ Sept., 1787, bur. * 20 June, 1863, aged 76.	Anna, da. of Thomas Lloyd, his cousin, of Coedmore, co. Cardigan, and Lord-Lient. of that county, Mar., 1823. Died at Hill Court, co. Heref., 22 April, 1882, aged 87.
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John Probyn, eldest son, bap. * 1824, bur. * 1 May, 1836, v.p.	<b>Edmund Probyn</b> , 2nd son and heir. Bap. 24 Mar., 1825, of Huntley Manor, late Dragoon Guards, Sheriff of Gloucestershire, 1875.	Charlotte Scymour, da. of J. Jones, of Berry Ormoud, co. Cardigan.
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Edmund, born 1856. Died at Eton, in 1870. Bur. §	John Langford, born 1857, Lieut. 79 Highlanders, 5 Oct., 1878.	Leslie, born 1862, Lieut. of J. Jones, of Berry Ormoud, co. Cardigan. Militia, 5 Mar., 1879.
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‡ At Newland.

§ At Huntley.

\* At Loughope.

Sophia, bap. ‡ 2 Feb, 1768, died unmar.	Susan, mar. John Dighton, of Newland.	Elizabeth, bap. ‡ 6 Ap., 1770, mar. 25 Aug., 1791, Thomas Lloyd, of Coedmore.	Decima, bap. ‡ 14 Sep., 1771, mar. John Willis, of Dix- ton, co. Mon- mouth.	William Probyn, bap. ‡ 2 June, 1762. <i>See Table II.</i>
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Sophia Chol- mondley, bap. ‡ 30 Sep., 1790, Mar. Major ..... Tyler.	Caroline, bap. ‡ 15 Oct., 1791, mar. Robert Napier Raikes, clerk, Vicar of Long- hope.	Mary Ann, bap. ‡ 6 Nov., 1792, mar. * 9 Nov., 1820, William Roberts, of Cole- ford.	Maria, bap. ‡ 2 June, 1799, mar. . Charles Mein Digh- ton, Clk., Vicar of Longhope.	Elizabeth, living at Longhope, 1882.
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James Webb, bap. * 7 Mar., 1829 bur. * 30 Mar., 1829, aged 9 weeks.	Twins.	
	Julian, died unmar.	Juliana, mar. John William Good, son of John Spicer, of Esher Place.

Oliver Probyn, Capt. E.I.C.S., 28 Mar., 1861.	Henry Dalton, born 1829. Bur. * 17 Nov., 1851. Elizabeth Agnes, bap. * 19 Ap., 1835.	Ann Elizabeth Blanche, bap. * 12 Ap., 1834, mar. * 12 Aug., 1852, Kingsmill Manley Power, son of Licut.-Gen. Sir Manley Power, K.C.B.
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Alice Dalton, mar. 9 May, 1878, Ernest Augustus, 5th Earl of Lisburne.	Evelyn	Blanche	Charlotte Eugenia
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PEDIGREE OF PROBYN.—Table II.

Mary, eld. dau. of William Bond, of Wick, born 26th Feb., 1767. Died 17th Feb., 1802, M.I. Bur. †

William Probyn, Clerk, 3rd son of Edmund Probyn, of Newland, bapt. † 2nd June, 1762, Rector of Longhope, matric. from St Mary Hall, Oxon, 18 Feb., 1779 aged 16. B.A., 1783. M.A., 1785. Vicar of St. Andrew's, Pershore, Chancellor and Canon Residentiary of St. David's. Died 1st April, 1825. Bur. † aged 63 M.I.

Sarah, da. of John Willis, by Sarah, only child of Colonel George Feilding, and granddaughter of Richard Willis, Bishop of Gloucester, Sarum, and Winton, ob. s.p.

William Howell, eldest son. Died at Whittington Lodge, co. Wore., 2nd Nov., 1852, in the 65th year of his age. Bur. † M.I., s.p.	William, Anna Maria. Francis, Born July, 1795. Died in infancy. Bur. †	Susan Antoinette, Born 1793. Died April, 1880. Bur. at Wore, unmar.	Charlotte. Born 26th June, 1790, living 1882, unmar.	Catherine. Born 17th March, 1792. Mar. † 6th March, 1823, Rev. John Hurst, 2nd son of Robert Hurst, of Horsham Park, Sussex. M.P. for Horsham, Died 26th July, 1881, and bur. at Thakeham, of which parish he was Rector.	Born George Probyn. Born 30th Apr., 1797. Captain Royal Navy. Died 25th Nov., 1855.	Alicia, dau. of Sir Francis Workman Macnaghton, of Bushmills House, co. Antrim, Bart. Married 1st June, 1826. Died 9th Sept., 1864.
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William George Probyn. Born 15th May, 1827.	Charlotte Langfield, da. of R.N. Burnard. Mar. 14th Jan., 1851.	Francis Gordon. Born 3rd Feb. 1829. Lient. R.N. Died and bur. at Sea, 24th Ap., 1855, unmarried.	Sir Dighton Macnaghton Probyn, K.C.S.I.; C.B. & V.C. Lient.-Gen. in the army. Born 21st Jan., 1833. Mar. Lætitia Maria youngest dau. of Thomas Roberts Thulleston.	Lesley Charles, born 11th August, 1834. Mar. Victoria, da. J. Kinloch.	Lætitia Susan, born 28th Sep. 1836. Died 8th June, 1879.	Elliot Lambert, born 6th Jan. 1839. Died — 1866.	Alicia Eliza, born 21st August, 1842.	Caroline Maude Blanch, born 9th Feb., 1869, Hon. Rbt. St. John Fitz Walter Butler son of Lord Dunboync.	Hay Alfred Palmer. Died in India, April, 1882.
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Alice Eliza, born 9th Jan., 1852. Mar. Col. Swinley, R.A.	Lesley George, born 1st Jan., 1854.	Francis Host, born 17th Jan., 1856.	Lætitia Emma, born 11th Feb. 1856. Elliot Me Killop, born 25th March, 1857. Blanche Mary, born 17th Oct. 1859. All died in infancy.	Claud William, born 24th Nov., 1869. Ada Charlotte, born 6th June, 1862. Died in infancy.	Dighton Gordon, born 11th Dec., 1869.
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† At Newland. + At Pershore.

## APPENDIX I..

## . CARTA.

Rogerus Comes Herfordie omnibus Baronibus et vicecomitibus et Dapiferis Ministris et hominibus et amicis suis Francis et Anglis salutem Sciatis me dedisse et reddidisse Willielmo de Dene et heredibus suis in feodo et hereditate ad tenendum de me et heredibus meis omnia tenementa sua ita libere et quiete sicut tenuit die quo decessit a Milone Comite patre meo scilicet Ministerium suum de foresta de Dene cum omnibus rebus eidem Ministerio pertinentibus reddendo inde singulis annis xx solidos pro omni servicio preter hoc quod si eum summoncor mecum ire in servicio meo infra hos tres Comitatus scilicet Gloucestrie scire et Herfordie scire et Worrcestrie scire ibit mecum tribus diebus ad suam procuracionem et si amplius mecum moratus fuerit erit ad meum custamentum et si quid perdiderit ego restaurabo ei ut homini meo. Et nominatim essarta de Chestiard. Testibus Willielmo de Caysneto et Waltero Fratre meo et Elia Giff. et Alano filio Mayn Osberto de Westberia tunc Dapifero meo et Fulcone Trussel et Radulfo de Falceio et Ricardo de Westrym et Alexandre pyncerna.

Chancery Inquisition post mortem 12 Edward 2, No. 31.



## APPENDIX II.

RENTALE ALEXANDRIS BAYNHAM MILITIS DOMINII SUI DE  
MAGNA DEANE, &c.

About 10 Henry viii.

Tho. Beche	Tho. Beche pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Modey	xd.
Jo. White	Johannes White pro vno tenemento nuper Tho. Day	xijd.
	Idem Johannes pro vno crofto nuper Henrici fathers	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Lymbyes	xvjd.
	Idem pro tenemento Tho. Lewes	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento cum curtillagio nuper Willelmi at the Myll	iijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannes Garon	xijd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Modyes	ijd.
Jo. Garon	Johannes Garon pro vno tenemento nuper patris sui	iijs. iiijd.
W. Tailor	Willelmus Tailor pro vno tenemento nuper Katherine Symons	xviijd.
Jo. Baker	Johannes Baker pro vno tenemento nuper patris sui	xviijd.
Wa. Perks	Walterus Perkes pro vno tenemento nuper patris sui	ijs.
Wa. James	Walterus James pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Norrys	xvjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata le Irish Cliffe	xvjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Bradley	viijd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata le Harpe	vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Rose James	iijs. vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper ..... Norrys	xijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ iacente apud Ashwall	xviijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Willelmi Myll	iijs.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Shropshire	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Woodward	vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Rawlyns & nuper Johannis Booth	ijs.
Rog. Greene	Rogerus Greene pro tenemento nuper Ricardi Browne	iijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Borich	xxiijd.
Tho. Bowell	Thomas Bowell pro tenemento nuper Thomæ Bond	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Swyndou	iiijd.
Wi. Mason.	Willelmus Mason pro vno tenemento nuper Ricardi Garon	ijs.
Ga. Davics	Galfridus Davics pro vno tenemento nuper Henrici A Deane	iiijd.
.. Purslowe	heredes Johannis Purslowe pro tenemento nuper Johannis Phelpes	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Locksmith	iiijd.

W. Greenc	Willelmus Greenc pro tenemento nuper Johannis Chace	ijd.
Jo. Tommes	Johannes Tommes pro tenemento nuper patris sui	xijd.
Hu. Digas	Hugo Digas pro tenemento nuper Philipi Higons	jd.
	Idem pro terra nuper patris sui	xijd.
Tho. Digas	Thomas Digas junr pro tenemento nuper Walteri Tommes	iiijd.
H. Chec	Henricus Chec pro terra nuper Walteri Smart	ijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Nicholai Chec	jd.
Tho. Digas	Thomas Digas senior pro pecia terræ nuper Henrici Digas	vd.
	Idem pro tenemento cum crofto nuper Ricardi Garon	iijs. iiijd.
W. Digas	Willelmus Digas pro tenemento nuper Katerine A Deane	iiijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Brayles	iijs. vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Ricardi Smart vocato le Zymbridge	vjd.
	Idem pro dimidio peciæ terræ nuper Henrici Digas	vijd. ob.
	Idem pro fabrica nuper Thomæ ffawkner	ijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ nuper Henrici Digas	vd.
Jo. Mongey	Johannes Mongey pro pecia terræ iuxta le Myll	ijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ vocato Bradley	iiijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ nuper Willielmi Woodwardes	xijd.
	Idem pro vno crofto nuper Henrici Wyche	xd.
	Idem pro fabrica nuper Walteri James	vd.
Ric. Bengar	Ricardus Bengar pro camera nuper Edithe Stockton	jd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper patris sui	ij d. ob.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Willelmi Clarke	vjs.
	Idem pro pecia terræ vocata le Wylderne	vd.
Ric. Elley	Ricardus Elley pro tenemento nuper Harts	vjd.
W. Barrett	Willelmus Barrett pro diversis terris quondam Johannis Basse	vs. iiijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Willelmi Basse	vjd.
	Idem pro fabrica nuper Henrici A Deane	vjd.
Nic. Wyche	Nicholaus Wyche pro tenemento nuper patris sui	viijd.
	Idem pro gardino nuper Walteri James	ijd.
	Idem pro gardino nuper Henrici Alewes	vjd.
	Idem pro gardino nuper Henrici Chec	vjd.
	Idem pro gardino quondam Dogoodes & nuper Thomæ Danyell	ijd.
.. levey	heredes Thomæ Levey pro fabrica	xvd.
Jo. Graye	Johannes Gray pro tenemento nuper Johannis Walteri	ijs. vijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ vocata Wylderne	vjd.
Jo. Denny	Dominus Johannes Denny Capellanus pro tenemento nuper Henrici A Deane	iijs. viijd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Ashwall	xviijd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Cockshutslade	xd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Wood Walfield	xijd.
Ric. Hamond	Ricardus Hamond pro parcella terræ nuper Henrici A Deane	xiiijd.

Ric. Pullen	Ricardus Polleyn pro tenemento nuper patris sui	ijs. vjd.
Jo. ffylley	Johannes ffylley pro tenemento nuper Henrici A Deane	xijd.
Jo. Reynoldes	Johannes Reynoldes pro tenemento nuper Thomæ Danyell	ijs. vijjd.
	Idem pro tenemento & ffabrica quondam Ricardi fforest	vjd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ quondam Margerie Walker	xvijjd.
	Idem pro vno gardino quondam Ricardi Malletts	iiijjd.
Tho. ffawkner	Thomas ffawkner pro vno gardino nuper Walteri James	ijd.
Tho. Beeche	Tho. Beeche pro tenemento quondam Pynbollockes	ijs.
Alic. ffawkner	Alicia ffawkner pro shopa quondam Ricardi White	ijd. ob.
Jo. Barber	Johannes Barber pro vno tenemento nuper Pyn- bollockes	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Thomæ Porter	ijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Henrici Wiehe	ijd.
Jo. Dyke	Johannes Dyke pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Cutt	iiijjs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Hugonis Cromhall	ijs. iiijjd.
Mar. Norris	Margareta Norrys pro vno tenemento	xvijjd.
Jo. Smart	Johannes Smart pro tenemento nuper Johannis Coventre	iiijjs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Roberti Woodward	iiijjs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Hart	vs. vjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Willelmi Browne	xijd.
Ric. Synger	Richardus Synger pro tenemento nuper Johannis ffisher	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Willelmi Wedge Capellani	xijd.
Ed. Trolley	Edwardus Trolley pro vno tenemento nuper Walteri James	iiijjs.
Jo. White	Johannis White pro tenemento nuper patris sui	xvijjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Hannys	xijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Helene ffylley	ijs. vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Modemores	ijs.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Johannis Woodcock	ob.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Ricardi Garon	xiiijjd.
Deane	heredes Henrici Deane pro vno tenemento quondam Cuttes	ijs. vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Blackmans	vjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Tellowes	vd.
	Idem pro vna fabrica nuper Redgood	iiijjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Henrici Deane	vjd.
	Idem pro parcella vnus prati vocati Bradley	xvijjd.
	Idem pro 2 parcellis terræ & j orr <sup>1</sup> nuper Walteri James	iiijjd.
Ric. Sewall	Ricardus Sewall pro vno tenemento quondam Johan- nis Norris	xiijs. iiijjd.

1 *Orrio* for "horrio" = "barn."

W. Clarke	Willielmus Clarke pro 2tenementis quondam Johannis Baron	ixs.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata le Park.	iiijd.
W. Rudge	Willelmus A rudge pro tenemento nuper Isabelle Sadler	iijs. iiijd.
Jo. King	Johannes King pro tenemento quondam Johannis Cooke.	xvjd.
Ric. Elley	Ricardus filius Thome Elley pro vno tenemento quondam Margeriæ Walker	xviijd.
	Idem pro vno gardino nuper Shogers	iiijd.
Ric. Dymoock	Ricardus Dymoock pro tenemento quondam Bradwardynes	xijd.
Tho. Woodcock	Thomas Woodcock pro tenemento & Gardino quondam Bradwardynes	xijd.
Tho. Berry	Thomas Berry pro vno tenemento quondam Ricardi Gammer	xviijd.
Tho. Moore	Thomas Moore pro vno tenemento nuper patris sui	xviijd.
	Idem pro vno gardino nuper Juliane More	vjd.
Tho. Elley	Thomas Elley pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Escott	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Willelmi Elley	vjd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Broomehill	xijd.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Justing land	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento cum gardino quondam Slaptons & Johannis Wytt	vjd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Henrici A Lewes junr	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento & curtilagio nuper Thome Woodcock	ijs. iiijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento Johannis A Lewes Junr.	iiijd.
Jo. Woodcock	Johannes Woodcock pro diversis tenementis et parcellis terræ	iiijs.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Thome Walker	ijs.
	Idem pro parcella terræ nuper Johannis A lewes	iiijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis A lewes	ijs.
Ric. Norris	Ricardus Norris pro vno tenemento nuper Walteri Escott	iiijs.
Jo. Howell	Johannes Howell pro dimidio tenementi nuper patris sui	vjd. ob.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Cutt	xvjd.
W. Howell	Willelmus Howell pro dimidio tenementi nuper patris sui	vjd. ob.
Jo. Priest	Johannes Priest pro vno tenemento nuper Walter Priest	xd.
	Idem pro una parcella terræ quondam Henrici Pacy	xviijd.
A. North	Agnes North pro vno tenemento quondam Phelpes	vjd.
Jo. A Lewes	Johannes A Lewes senr., pro terra in novo vic'	xvjd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Modyes	ijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Adam Shepheard	xviijd.

Tho. A Lewes	Thomas A Lewes senr., pro vno tenemento nuper patris sui	iijd.
Jo. Elley	Johannes Elley junr., pro vno tenemento quondam Ricardi forest	xijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento iacent apud le Churchstile	ijs.
W. Mongey	Willelmus Mongey pro vno tenemento nuper Tomlin Elleyes	vijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Walteri Howe et Tomlin Elleyes	iijd.
M. More	Mariana More pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis More	ijs. vjd.
Ric. Tailor	Ricardus Taylor pro vno tenemento nuper Willelmi Clarke	vjs.
H. Woodcock	Hugo Woodcock pro vno tenemento quondam Willelmi Cambe	xvjd.
Tho. Mason	Thomas Mason pro vno tenemento nuper Henrici Boryles	vjd.
	Idem pro vna shopa nuper Henrici Spayler	ijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Johannis Clorey	viijd.
Tho. Woodward	Thomas Woodward junr. pro vno tenemento nuper Aliciae Howe	xijd.
Tho. Rand	Thomas Rand pro vno tenemento quondam Shepheardes	viijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Mylly	viijd.
W. Careles	Willelmus Careles pro vno tenemento quondam Johannis Malletts	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Willelmi Clarke	viijd.
	Idem pro vna fabrica nuper Nicholai Adis	iiijd.
	Idem pro pecia terræ quondam Walteri Escott	xijd.
Tho. Woodward	Thomas Woodward pro vno prato nuper Hugonis Caron	xd.
	Idem pro diversis terris et tenementis quondam Johannis Woodward	xjs. iiijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper David Taylor	xxd.
	Idem pro vno crofto vocato Casbrook	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Willelmi Barrett	vj.
	Idem pro uno pecia terræ nuper	vd.
	Idem pro una pecia terræ nuper Johannis purslowe	xviijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Thome Walker	ijs.
	Idem pro pecia terræ quondam Tho. North iacent in le hill super Ashwall	xijd.
	Idem pro vno gardino nuper David Taylor	xijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Thomas Escott jun.	viijd.
	Idem pro diversis terræ et tenementis quondam Tho. Nailor & Agnes Woodward	vs.
	Idem pro vna fabrica nuper Thome Escott, jun.	vjd.
	Idem pro redditu nuper Thome Boxe	ijs. viijd.
	Idem pro tenemento nuper Henrici Wyche	xd.
	Idem pro vno gardino nuper Henrici Adis	xijd.

Tho. Escott	Thomas Escott pro vno tenemento quondam Walteri Wiggatt	ijs. iiijd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Adam Taylor	vjd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Thome Myll	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Styrrayes	xd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Ricardi Myll	viijd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Tallowes	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Thome Ingham et Willelmi Elley	xijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Ricardi ffalley et Lawrence ffarme	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Sevenish et Margarete Escott	viijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Isabelle Colyn et Margarete Escott	viijd.
	Idem pro fabrica quondam Henrici at Thome Escott jun.	vjd.
Ric. Escott	Ricardus Escott pro vno tenemento quondam Johannis Cosin	ijs. iiijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Radfordes	ijs. iiijd.
	Idem pro vno prato quondam Johannis Baron	vjd.
Ric. James	Ricardus James pro vno tenemento ac vna pecia terræ nuper Nicholai Carter	vijs.
Ric. Cromhall	Ricardus Cromhall pro vno tenemento quondam Vallishe	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Willelmi ffisher	ijs.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Willelmi Studley	xvjd.
N. Gardner	Nicholaus Gardner pro vno tenemento nuper Johannis Launder	xijd.
Jo. Cromhall	Johanna Cromhall pro vno tenemento quondam Thome Delbiscall	xxd.
	Idem pro tenemento quondam Margerie Baynham	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Galfridi Eywood	ijs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Willelmi ffisher	viijd.
	Idem pro vno tenemento quondam Edwardi Willelm	xvjd.
Jo. Grove	Johannes Grove pro vno tenemento quondam Adis	xijd.
	Idem pro vna fabrica nuper Johannis Hart	vijd.
Jo. Lydiat	Johannes Lydiat pro vno tenemento nuper Ricardi frances	ijs.
W. Purpoynt	Willelmus Purpoynt pro vno tenemento quondam Isabelle Walford	xijd.

## REDDITUS ECCLESIE SERVICIIS SANCTI GEORGII.

Jo. Borich	Imprimis pro diversis tenementis quondam Johannis Borich	vijs. viijd.
	Idem pro tenemento Ricardi Wethe	iijs.
	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata le Marshe hill	vjd.
	Idem pro duabus parcellis terræ vocatis broomehill	ijd.
	Idem pro vna parcella terræ vocata Whites hill	ob.
	Idem pro vna parcella terræ vocata highokefield	vjs.
	Idem pro vno tenemento nuper Ricardi Wetham	xijd.

	Idem pro parcella terræ vocata Nailors thorne	viijd.
	Idem pro unum acrum quondam Ricardi Wetham	viijd.
Tho. Purpoynt	Thomas Purpoynt pro vno tenemento nuper Willelmi Elley	viijd.
Jo. Baron	Johannes Baron pro vna parcella terræ quondam Ricardi Baron	ijs.
£17 5 3d.		

## TERRÆ DOMINICAL.

	Imprimis pro vno prato vocato le Mare Medowe	xxs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato Naylors thorne	ixs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato holly wall medowe	xxs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato le Courtfield	xxvjs. viijd.
	Item pro vna lesura vocata Bradley	xvjs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato blackhall medowe	xxvjs. viijd.
	Item pro vno campo vocato little courtfield	xiiijs.
	Item pro una pecia terræ iacente subter le courtfieldvjs.	viijd.
	Item pro Mauerio ibidem	xxs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato le Synges	viijs.
	Item pro vna lesura vocata Bullocks lesowe	viijs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato Ashwall medowe	vs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato Casbrooke medowe	vjs. viijd.
	Item pro vno pomario vocato le Court Orchard	vjs. viijd.
Tho. Escott	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Thome Escott	xijd.
Jo. Hule	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Jo. Hule Capellani	xvjd.
T. Elley	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Thome Elley	xxd.
R. Sewall	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Ricardi Sewall	vs.
	Item pro cir' super predictum manerium	viijs.
	Item pro vno prato vocato le Condyte medowe	xiiijs. iiijd.
R. Harrys	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Ricardi Harris	viijd.
W. Cowight	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Willelmi Cowight	viijd.
Jo. Caron	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Johannis Caron	viijd.
L. Baylie	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Lodovic Baylie	viijd.
	Item pro vna Grova vocata Lady Grove	xijd.
Jo. Heath	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Johannis Heath	viijd.
T. Woodecock	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Thome Woodecock	xd.
T. Hall	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Thome Hall	vjd.
R. Dymock	Item pro vno gardino quondam in tenura Ricardi Dymock	vjd.
	Item pro vno tenemento vocato le Skulehowse	ijs.
£11 16 10.		

## PERAMBULATION OF THE MANOR OF DENE MAGNA.

21 September, 17 James.—The Jurors say that the manor ys thus bounded: Videlt, beginning at the Stender's brooke it goeth along the hedge of Akus, & so to Cuttesland stile, & so along the hedge to Lynewood lane, then to Bakers land leaving the Kinges common all this way on the left hand, & so along by the hedge leaving baker's land on the left hand and the grove on the right hand, crossing the highwaye to the lower end of the greate gleebe, leaving Steventon's land on the left hand till you come to the vpper end of Owley Grove, & then up to certen land of Steventon's called James land, & from thence to horsecroft & so vnto the highway nere Bradley house & there along the highway to Billbatt lane, & then to great Billbatt, and so along the hedge to Lawne Grove leaving billbatt on the left hand, & then by the grove hedge to long meadow, & then vp by a spring head to the highway & so along to the merend crosse, & leaving the same on the left hand go along the way to a spring that runs out of Mare Meadow, and to the head of the same spring, & so to a great Oke in Mare Medow, & from thence over the hedge to the sferney hill, & crossing the same to the southend of perpyn's hill grove goe by the hedge of the same leaving Wynston's grove on the left hand, & so vp Wildernes to a gore and great meadowe, leaving them on the left hand go straight up the stile wch goeth into the King's common, & from thence downe by the hedge to the Stenders, leaving the common on the (blank) hand.

Item. They say that there are certain peeces of land called Blackhall meadows wch our perambulation goeth around about, & the parson receaveth the tythes thereof, and wec knowe it to be the Lo. (Lords) freeland, yet can wec not say it is parcel of the Mannor, for that we hold the assart lands to be in Awre parish.<sup>2</sup>

## A CUSTOMAL OF THE MANOR OF MICHELDEAN.

Michell Deane

An Abstract of thother matters Besides the Rents aforesaid,<sup>3</sup>

Presented at the Court of Survey held for this Mannor, 3 Aug., 1642.

Boundes	1 The Bounds of the Mannor were at larg sett downe and presented.
Extent	2 That part of Auenhall extends into this Mannor on the east side the High streete. Mr. Bainham Vaughan hath a third part of this Mannor as it was a Mannor at first, but noe part of this Mannor is within his said third part.
Tenure	3 The freehold lands within this Mannor are held by fealty, suite of Court, Heriott, Reliefe, and the yearlie rents before particularye set downe.
Aliençõn	4 That by the custome of this Mannor there is due to the Lord out of the said lands upon enery grant or alienaçõn of any parcel of the freelands 2s. 6d. as a reliefe payable

Colchester Muniments, Book A, fo. 9-13.

2 Colchester Muniments, Book A, fol. 5.

3 The preceding Rental, to which reference is here made, is entitled: "A brief Survey and particulars of the Manor of Michell Deane and Aylewaies landes together, and all the lands in Deane and Auenhall now held by me, R. C. Anno 1642, according to a Court of Survey by me held thereof."



- Herriott by the new comer. And vpon the death if euey tenant dying seized of any the said freehold lands the best best or other goodes for a Herriott. But yet they conceive all bee it a free holder dye seized of sundrie parcels in fee yet the Lord is to have but one Herriott for all. But if a freeholder aliene his landes to seuerall persons or in seuerall parcells there will be so many seuerall Heriotts and Reliefs due.
- Several parcells
- Suite Landes 5 There are some Suite lands the owners whereof are *Benchers* and ought to attend and sitt as iudges at every 3 weekes Court or to be amerced for default.
- The Benchers The Suite Lands and Benchers now are these :
- William Callowe for part of a messuage and landes in the forest called Sampson's house.
- William Sampson an infant for Sampson's house parcel of Callowes said lands.
- Edward Morse in his daughter's right for a messuage late Sergeaut's now in tenure Tyler. But Warner and Crewe ought now to doe themselves the Service.
- Thomas Bower an Infant for Garons Inn, in tenure of Bridgett Bower.
- Edward Powell for a messuage in New Strete late Woods and formerly flarness.
- Edward Jenninges for the Courner house att Millend Street late Grauenours.
- Winter Bridgman for a messuage and lands ouer against the Pound.
- William Steuenton for his lands in Deane aforesaid, the particulars they know not.
- Thomas Wade for Messengers Rents in High Streete.
- John Lane for his dwelling house late Pages adjoining to the Talbott.
- Bryan Lane for a messuage in High Streete late Grauenours now in occupation of Cadle.
- Lands in Auenale What? 6 They present the particulars of the Demesne lands to bee as afore set downe, and that there are six decayed tenements in Millend street uninhabited, and say that some of the lands before particularised are not in Deane but in Auenall: viz., Longmed, Millmed, and the Water mill thereon, Barton Hills being in occupation of Ro. Kirke or Lane or Welsh his undertenants, 14 Closes in Wildernes, 60 acres in occupation of Thomas and Morgan Workman, Hollyday, and Cooper Wildernes ats Sturnes groue in occupation of Morgan Workman. Lane Grove in occupation of Paine and Rudge; New Leaze in occupation of Thomas Morgan.
- Royalties 7 That the Lord of this Mannor hath the sole power and priuilege of fishing, fowling, hawking, hunting, and other Royalties incident, &c., Courts Lecte, Baron or 3 weeks Courts, and all fines, forfeitures, amercements, and perquisites of Courts, Waifes, Strayes, Goodes of fellons,

- felon de sec, deodands and other Royalties usually belonging to a Mannor. Yet sometimes the King's baileifs hauing first seized for such forfeitures hath had the fine.
- Comon, &c. 8 The benefit of Comon throughout the forest, and of all mines, wastes, and profitts within this Mannor belonges to the Lord and the tenants in his right.
- The Groues & Wastes 9 The Lord hath some woodes: viz., A Grove or Skirt of trees att the upper end of Court field in occupation of Thomas Lugg.
- Harp Grove and Paine Grove in occupation of Lane and Rudge.
- Sturnes Grove in occupation of Morgan Workman, and that wast hath bin committed by Lugg. Alsoe Mr. Trottmann to the value of £5, and Robert Kirke by untyeing of Mathewes barne, and Mrs. Wade by permitting the decay of a shead belonging to the tithing barne in Meerend Street demised to Pirke, and the place where that house stood is now vsed as a garden.
- Deteyner 10 They know of no deteyner of Lands, Rents, Services, Decds, &c.
- flayre & Markets 11 There is a Markett kept every Munday and a fayre every M.day. The profitts and toll whereof belong to the Lord.
- Parsonage 12 The Advowson of the Parsonage for 2 turnes belonges to the Lord of this Mannor, and the third to the Lord of Auenhall.
- Mr. Stringer now parson came by this Lord's title and so must the next, And then the Lord of Auenhall to present for 1 turne onely. The Parsonage is worth about £40 per annum.
- Cheif Rents 13 There is a cheife rent paid out to St. Breuills of xxs., and for Wildernes xs. The mannor is within the Diocese of Gloucester and Hundred of St. Breuills.
- Officers 14 That John Bridgman is Steward, Charles Callowe Baileffe, and Francis Gwillim Dy Woodward.
- Evoluments to the Lord 15 That upon euery arest into this Court there is 3d. due to Lord by euery defendant & 3d. by the plaintiff, pro non process, & 2d. pro non comper<sup>s</sup> in toto 7d. (*sic*) vpon euery tryall. The Lord hath right to custome money for wheelage, &c. Lastlie there was Ayd money leuyed out of the lands holden of this mannor by Nicholas Roberts, about 3 years before his death for making his son a knight, &c.

Subscribed by the Jury, Vizt.

Nicholas Morse	Edward Jennings	Thomas Dauies
John Wade	Mathew Morse	Thomas Bowrey
Robert Kirke	Thomas Lugg	Robert Churches
William Callowe	William Nelme	Thomas Workman
John Lane	Edward Powell	Jurors, &c.

Exr Capt. & fuit xj<sup>o</sup> Octo : 18 Car : 1642 per Jo. Bridgman Senechall itm.

1 Colchester Muniments, Book c., pp. 141, 142.

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